Rhodesians claim they killed 1,200 guerrillas in Mozambique raids

Rhodesian Government sources have denied reports that women and children were killed deliberately during raids by security forces on two guerrilla camps in Mozambique last week. In the

first confirmation of the raids, military headquarters said that more than 1,200 guerrillas had been killed and one Rhodesian soldier had died. There was no contact with Mozambican forces

Deaths of children 'regrettable'

rrom Frederick Cleary

Salisbury, Nov 28 News agency reports that the Rhodesian security forces deli-beratetly killed women and children during raids last week on two guerrilla camps in Mozambique were denied to-Military headquarters earlier confirmed that the raids had taken place and said that more tian 1,200 guerrillas had been killed. Rhodesian casualties whitet soldier killed and eight

Denying the deliberate killing of women and children, one covernment source said: The wo camps were clearly defined as terrorist military bases and is such were attacked by our forces. If wemen and children were in fact in the camps and mere killed it is regregable. urnicularly women and child-in. should not be in such

ast week's operation was Rhodesia's most successful of the five-year war. The forces first struck last Wednesday at the main operational head-quarters of the Zimbabwe African National Liberation Arman National Liberation
Army, which supports Mr
Robert Mugabe, in an area 55
miles inside Mozambique and
about 12 miles north of the town

From Derek Ingram

of Gemini News Service

Chimoio, Mozambique, Nov 28 Mozambican soldiers buried nearly 100 children, aged between 11 and 14, in a mass grave 18 miles from here on

Saturday. They were among the hundreds of Zimbabweans

killed in the Rhodesian air-

borne strike that destroyed a suervilla base of Zaon, the

wing of the Patriotic Front led by Mr Robert Mugabe. About 2,500 people, many of them women, were in the camp at the time of the attack.

Because of the poor com-

extent of the action is only now

becoming clear. Even in Chimoso (formerly Vila Pery).

which lies in foll view of the

camp, details are only now

(Rhodesian nationalists) are

still wandering out of the bush

into Chimoio and by yesterday

about 600 had been treated at the town's small hospital while

another 70 more severely wounded had been evacuated to

I arrived in Chimoio on the

morning of the attack—last Wednesday. The town is slightly

elevated from the surrounding flat bush country, and from its streets the sound of aircraft

and the crunch of bombing could be heard. Plumes of

smoke rose into the air over

Hunter fighters, Canberra

Zimbabweans

becoming known.

Wounded

Thursday. No contact was made with Mozambique troops.

The second strike was made on Sarurday, against the Tembue base camp, about 125 miles from the border and north-east of the Babora Bassa dam. Again, of the Babora Bassa dam. Again, there was no contact with Mozambican forces and all Rhodesian troops and aircraft were safely back inside Rhodesia by 3 pm on Sunday. The military communiqué said the raids were made "in the interests of self defence and the aims of the ground and air attacks were all successfully achieved."

Official figures put the guer-rilla deaths at 1,200, but un-official estimates have been as high as 2,000. Many others were wounded and large quantities of weapons, vehicles, ammuni-tion, fuel, buildings and docu-

ments were destroyed. Mr Roger Hawkins, the War Minister, said the raids had been made because there had been a big buildup of guerrilla forces and increased guerrilla incursions into Rhodesia. He described the operation as "an Rhodesia had been aware for some time of a considerable increase in trained guerrillas at base camps in Mozambique of Mr Mugabe's forces.

ped by parachute and stayed

on the ground overnight.

The strike was in an area

that contains a complex of

camps—the two main ones being a military camp for about

2,500 guerrillas and a refugee camp about 35 miles away at

Doeroi. The refugee camp was not rouched: its 18,000 inhabi-

tants scattered into the bush

on instructions from their commanders. But the guerrilla

camp was wrecked.

The fact that the refugee camp was left alone may indicate that the Smith regime has

learnt that mass killing of

civilians such as took place in the strike at Nyazonia last year,

does it great harm internation-

ully.

The Chimoio strike appears

attack by the Rhodesians in

recent mouths. Reports say that about 500 guerrillas were killed

two months ago in a camp destroyed in the Vumba moun-

tains.
This new attack poses ques-

tions about the lack of protec-tion and organization of the Zanu guerrilias, for long believed to be less well run

than Mr Nkomo's army.

The camp seems to have been a sitting duck. It had only one anti-aircraft gun and one machine gun. Survivors said they had not been told how to

cope with an attack and they

were taken totally by surprise. No trenches had been dug. The town of Chimoio re-mained calm throughout and

Rhodesian aircraft avoided flying over it.

When the attack started, the

that terrorist incursions from Maximbique into Rhodesia were increasing and that as usual their attacks were being directed mainly at black civilians in the tribal trust lands",

Mr Hawkins continued "During the past two months more than 100 black civilians have been murdered by terrorists." Accordingly, it was essential to take action in selfdefence in the interests of safe guarding the lives of MI Rhodesians and to protect national integrity.

He said it had not been anticipated that any contact would be made with Mozambican forces in either of the two raids and this had proved to be the case. He also con-gratulated the Rhodesian secur-ity forces on their planning and execution of the raids.

Coming as they do just be-fore constitutional talks in Salisbury—probably later this week—the raids have boosted Rhodesian morale and in turn placed Mr Smith, the Prime Minister, in a powerful position at the conference table. He will be able to state unquestionably that he has military strength and has not been driven to find an internal settlement because of any weakness on the battle-field.

streets but Mozambican soldiers

told them to go back into their houses and offices and to carry

on their daily routine as usual.

When I arrived about five hours after the start of the attack the

only abnormal feature was the

number of troops on duty in the streets and at key points.

The Mozembican Army coped with the emergency with im-

pressive efficiency, even with a touch of nonchalance. However,

towards the end of the second

day of the attack Mozambican patrols came under attack from

Rhodesian aircraft as they

Mr Ngarife Mutombanzira, a

guerrilla, remembered the chaos of those moments. Sitting later on a hospital bench, his

broken arm in splints, he told me: "Within a few seconds

planes were moving about in the air and we were all scared.

We couldn't think what to do

quickly except to run away.

inched forward to the camp to find out what had happened

differently.

BAOR sources say the shortages would not be felt so badly in wartime, because many of the administrative functions involved n running a peacetime barracks would be dropped. However, many units now need an additional 30 men to perform all the necessary Eyewitness tells of airborne attack

One officer explained: "We are down to the bare min-imum. We simply have no fat

when anyone is away."

Ironically, BAOR's overall size was left untouched at 55,000 after the defence cuts, because this is the minimum that Britain is committed to maintain. It is the rise in the number of weapons in he number of weapons in he teeth" arms regiments that has caused the present crisi-

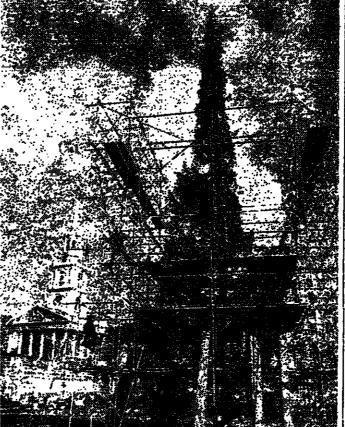
Ideally, the Army would like to see an additional 2,500 men under the increases in public spending expected from the Government next spring. The Ministry of Defence will be disappointed if it does not receive its share.

occause of mines the Rho-desians had laid. An alternative would be to more men from Army The sequence of events on units in Britain and elsewhere, but these are also "down to ne morning of the attack seems to have been as follows. At about 7.30 am the men in the the bone" and such a course would be unpopular with camp were beginning their routine dralling and bayonet practice. Aircraft are seldom heard in the area. Civil aircraft United Kingdom Land Forces headquarters near Salisbury. Another difficulty is that increasing the size of BAOR avoid the Mugamberi zone, in which the camp is situated, and would mean a rise in Britain's foreign exchange costs, which would be still more unpopular when a jet came over, the men thought it was a stray airliner. But when it dived low and others followed and began drop-ping bombs, everyone knew with the Treasury.

BAOR, therefore, might have to lose some of the troops from its newly formed 5th Field Force, the infantry formation which in wartime would serve in what is called the Rear Combat Zone behind the four armoured divisions of the 1st British Corps.
However, the feeling m
BAOR is that, come what may,

is now assured of a meeting with the Yugoslav leader. . couldn't think what to do day except to run away.

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The traditional Christmas tree, 70ft high, presented by the people of Oslo, after it was erected in Trafalgar Square yesterday.

Grunwick strikers are near the bitter end

By Robert Parker

THETIMES

Overworked BAOR asks

for extra

By Henry Stanhone

problem.

2,500 men

Defence Correspondent

The British Army of the

request to the Ministry of

Defence for 2,500 more men to

help to meet its peacetime

crease in the size of the Army

The extra manpower is

rouired to overcome difficulties of "overstretch" rulting

from restructuring of the

Army after the Government's

Manpower cuts of 16.000

have led to a 13 per cent in-

crease in the ratio of weapons

to troops. BAOR commaders

are finding that they do not

have enough men to do all the

The shortages are felt most

ecutely in regiments of the

Royal Artillery and of the Royal Armoured Corps, in

which the number of tanks has

been increased by more than

50 per cent while the number

of men has gone down. The

Royal Engineers, Royal Signals

and Royal Electrical and

Mechanical Engineers are also

affected. One officer spoke of

men doing a 70-hour week to

defence regiments, a Rabier

missile team which needs

seven men in wartime is mak-

ing do with only five, which

allows little opportunity for men to be away on courses or

meet the extra workload. In Royal Artillery

1974-75 Defence Review.

might be needed to solve the

The dispute at the Grunwick film processing lamoratories, in north-west London, appears to be virtually over. The strikers are talking about the best way to pull out.

It has been decided that there is no point in further mass picketing, and there is little hope of any other tactics bring-

ing victory. The strike committee thinks there are only two faint possi-bilities of success. One is a ruling by the House of Lords in favour of recognition by Grunwick of the Association of Professional, Executive, Cleri-cal and Computer Staff (Apex). The second is that members of other unions can be persuaded to cut off services such as elec-tricity and postal deliveries un-

At the end of last year the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbi-tration Service (Acas) recom-mended, after a ballot, that Apex should be recognized. But Acas had not been allowed in the factory, and in consequence only the strikers had been bal-loted. Grunwick contested the recommendation. Court, which found in favour of Acas and the Court of Appeal, which reverted that de-

cision. Acas appealed to the Lords, and a ruling is expected

told the eighty strikers that he is optimistic that the case will go their way, they feel that even so he would be unable to get them reinstated. They were dismissed after walking out in August lost way. It is thought August last year. It is thought that Apex may try to find other jobs for the strikers and content itself with recognition inside Granwick.

If the case in the Lords goes against Acas even that com-promise is unlikely. Mr Grantham, perhaps preparing himself for that eventuality, last week met Acts to try to arrange a second ballot of the Grunwick workforce on union recognition There is little chance of get ting services cut off. Last week the TUC General Council de

cided in effect that no action could be taken. The strikers are bitter about lack of action by Apex and the TUC. The strikers feel that the union is not on their side. That feeling was reinforced by the suspension of their chairman and secretary for four weeks

together with four hunger-strikers who were staging a protest outside TUC head-quarters in order to draw atten-The strike committee has

decided that it will not allow the dispute to die a slow death. If it becomes apparent that the two objectives of reinstatement and union recognition are unattainable, a press conference will be held to de-

Although Mr Roy Gramman, conference will be held to (general secretary of Apex, has clare the dispute at an end.

Thatcher visit to Belgrade By Our Political Staff of the Helsinki accords will not Mrs Tharcher, the Opposition be allowed to conclude while leader, is to make her postposted visit to Belgrade next observance of the accords are wekend. The visit was rearranged because of President British delegation to the conTiat's illness, and Mrs Thatcher ference.

sought assurances from Mr Cal-lagnan, the Prime Minister, that the Belgrade review conference War.

ference.
She is being accompanied by Sir Fitzroy Maclan, who com-manded the British military

Mr Callaghan resists Labour pressure to withdraw EEC poll Bill

Rejecting left-wing protests about the Government's handling of the European Direct-Elections Bill, Mr Callaghan blundy told a joint meeting of the Cabinet and the party's national executive yesterday that the Government would not withdraw the Bill.

To do so, he said, would be to break his personal word to European leaders and mean go-ing back on an international

He also said that in the free vote on the method of election to the European Parliament he would vote for the regional list system of proportional repre-sentation.

After the meeting, held at 10 Downing Street, the embattled positions of the national execurive, representing the party conference's opposition to the elec-tions and a divided Government wanting to get the Bill through, seemed to have changed hardly

The Prime Minister proposed that there should be a joint Cabinet-NEC working party that would produce a statement about the reform of the EEC on which both party and Govern-ment could agree. That would then be included in the party's manifesto at the next general

But, as Mr Ronald Hayward general secretary of the party, pointed out later, the first task of the NEC when it meets on December 14 will be to decide whether the party will contest the direct elections if the Bill, without a majority of Labour MPs voting for it, passes through Parliament.

That issue, rather than the setting up of the joint working party, appeared to be the one bothering him. "We could say that we will not fight", he said.

there would be a ragbag of politicians who would fight. Some would be former members of the party who would have organizations to support them financially, with people in work for them.

to work for them.

We would be on the side-lines and this party would find itself split between European independent Labour and the Labour Party as you and I know it. Surely common sease has got to prevail somewhere? "

There was obviously no pros-pect of the Government with-drawing the Bill after what the Prime Minister had said; if the NEC decided to fight the elections, the party could speedily make arrangement for the selec-tion of candidates and so on There was no list of candidates

⁴ With rumours that the salaries are likely to be between £20,000 and £25,000 there will not be a shortage of appli-casts", he forecast.

Mr Hayward said that he and Mr Reginald Underhill, the national agent, had recommended that the European elec-

mended that the European elec-tions should be held on, the same day as the next general election; "and that will not be next May", he added.

"We propose such a course because we think there will be a very low poll for the Euro-pean elections. As I go around the country I do not see it exactly setting people alight. exactly setting people alight.

" If the polling were on the same day as the general elec-tion there would be a better chance of getting a good turn-out". The electors would be able to vote for Westminster and also for their European

Firemen's leaders at No 10 today

By Donald MacIntyre Labour Reporter

The Prime Minister will meet the Fire Brigades Union executive at 10 Downing Street this enters its fifteenth day. There were no signs that the meeting, sought yesterday by the union, will open the way to an early settlement on the firemen's 30 per cent pay clahat.

Mr Terence Parry, the union's general secretary, said after yesterday's executive meeting, which was adjourned until today: "This does not mean anything other than that we are going to see the Prime Minister to discuss the dispute with him."

The talks with Mr Callaghan will include all 16 rank-and-file together with Mr Parry and the union's other four national officers.

Government officials have continued to emphasize that the Prime Minister has no inten-tion of authorizing any imme-diate pay offer above the 10 per cent offered by the local authority employers. Union executive members

reported at yesterday's London meeting that there had been no significant, breaks in the

solidarity of the 30,000 full-Mr arry said that nearly a million signatures collected from th eublic had been handed in at Downing Street during the demonstration organized by the mion's London region. He est-mated that "several million" people throughout the country has signed petitions in support

of the action. Our Political Editor writes: The Prime Minister responded with alacrity last night to the firemen's request for a meeting. It will be the first time he has met any of the union executive since the strike began and the first time he has decided, or national strike

Mr Rees Home Secretary, will also be at anday's meeting. apparently surprised by the telephoned request from Mr Parry, which was received by a private secretary. It was conveyed to Mr Callaghan at a private meeting with Mr Steel, the Liberal leader.

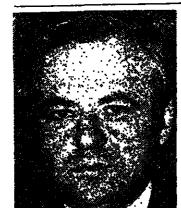
Earlier in Whitehall there had been strong deniels of reports of Cabinet divisions over the Prime Minister's refusal to make the firemen a new offer.

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Mr Meir Rosenne, left, and Dr Eli Ben Elissar.

Israel names delegates to Cairo talks

From Moshe Brilliant Jeruselem, Nov 28
Israel today named two civil servants as delegates to the

Eegin said the letter of invitation from the acting Foreign
Alinister of Egypt to Mr Moshe
Dayan, the Foreign Minister of
Israel, was handed to the
Israeli delegate at the United
Nations last night by his
Egyptian opposite number.
Mr Begin reported to the
light on President Sadat's mission to Jerusalem but shed no
light on what wet on in the
private talks. He gently chided
deputies who had made public
statements urging the Government to be forthcoming in the
rime an Egyptian delegate to
ine United Nations had
sis an important hour," he sald,
"Don't compete in making concessions."

Mnssion to heal Arab rift. Speaking in the Knesser, Mr Eegin said the letter of invita-tion from the acting Foreign Minister of Egypt to Mr Moshe Dayan, the Foreign Minister of Israel, was handed to the Israeli delegate at the United Nations last night by his

Mr Begin told the House



that, in consultation with Mr that, in consultation with Mr Dayan, wso is now in Germany, it had been agreed that the Israeli representatives will be Dr Eli Ben Elissar, Director-General of the Prime Minister's office, and Mr Meir Roseune, legal adviser to the Foreign Ministry. Israel's acceptance of the in-

Israel's acceptance of the invitation was sent through its representative at the United Nations, Mr Begin said.

Quoting from the Egyptian letter, Mr Begin said the conference was to be an informal meeting of the parties to the Biddle Sast dispute as well as the Soviet and American cochairmen of the Geneva peace conference and the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Mr Begin reported to the servants as delegates to the Cairo conference opening on December 3 which Mr Menachem Begin, the Prima Minister, said marked the opening of "face to face negotiations with our neighbours for a true Speaking in the Knesset, Mr

Mussion to heal Arab rift,

Banks split on interest rates

After last week's 2 point rise in the Bank of England's minimum lending rate to 7 per cent, National Westminster amounced an increase of 11 per cent to 75 per cent in base lending rate which was later followed by a 1 point rise to 7 per cent by Lloyds. The rates reflect sharp differences of opinion over the short-term

New Japanese Cabinet Mr Takeo Fukuda, the Japanese Prime Minister, dismissed his Cabinet and appointed a new team of ministers that appointed a new team or ministers that included economic experts to deal with the economic, political and diplomatic problems caused by Japan's huge trade sumplus

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Worker directors

Disagreement over the ellocation of worker-director sears on the main Post Office board is dogging the Government's first practical experiment in worker-participation, which is due to begin in a mouth Page 2

Mr Gierek to see Pope Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish Communist Party leader, arived in Rome for a visit during which he will call on the Pope. during which he will call on the rope. It will be the first time that a Polish communist leader has been to the Vatican Page 6

Refuge ship crisis

Australia has sent a Navy petrol boat to intercept a trawler heading for Darwin with 175 Vietnamese refugees on board. Indonesia refused them permission to land when they arrived at Surabaya last Tuesday Page 7

Unmarried woman's rights upheld

By a majority, the Court of Appeal has decided that an unmarried wuman has the same right as a wife to expel a violant man from ner nome, even if he has some property rights in it. The decision overturned two previous rusings by the (
of Appeal Pr

Political education

Courses in political education for all pupils in secondary schools, including instruction in the skills needed for direct action, are urged in a report by a research unit at York University Page 3

Carter homestead site Debrett's Peerage has ternished its image in the United States by a blunder in its search for President Carter's roots. The

firm has had to admit that an announce-ment that the first Carter homestead sine had been found was "misleading" Page 7 Typhoid: A boy who was a passenger on a cruise to North Africa is in a Lancashire hospital with typhoid 2 Help for disabled: The running costs of

an electrically operated wheelthair and other special aids needed by a disabled woman can be met by supplementary benefit payments, the High Court ruled 2 Missing baronet: Sir Rupert Mackeson, the Missing baronet: Sir Kuperi branches bome baronet missing from his London home since October, is not being sheltered by 3

Horn of Africa: Ethiopia is reported to be poised for a courner-attack against the Somali forces attacking Harer 7

Shipyard peace move

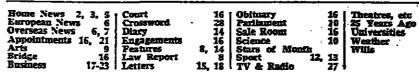
The 1,700 outsiting workers at Swan Hunter's Tyneside yard who have been operating an overtime ban for three months wil be recommended today to lift the ban in order to save a £52m contract, part of the £115m shipbuilding deal with Poland

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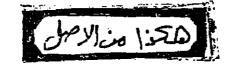
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Seat allocation holds Gang get £10,000 up experiment in worker-participation

Lubour Reporter

A two-year experiment in worker-participation in the Post Office, due to begin in a worker director " ats.

The Society of Civil and Public Servants, which has 7,000 members among the ahead without them if the 450,000 postal workers, is in society withdrew. censed at being excluded from . strong representation on the new regional boards.

The union has made clear involvement it will consider withdrawing from the exercise. That would not necessarily delay the Government's first practical experiment in industrial democracy, due to start unions appears to be that, if a

The eight unions recognized by the Post Office will meet in London today to try to allocate the seats. The Preliminary arragnement is to give two cach to the Union of Post Office Workers and the Post Office Engineering Union on the main board.

the main board.
One seat each would go to One seat each would go to the Civil and Public Services Association, the Post Office Management Staffs' Association and the Society of Post Office Executives. That would exclude the Society of Civil and Public Servants, the National Federatian of Sub Postmasters, and the Telephone Contract Offices. Postmasters, and the Tele-phone Contract Officers Asso-ciation. The last two appear to month ago

The Council of Post Office

Unions national broadly sees the board allocations being reflected among the 11 month, is being dogged by dis-agreement over the allocatin of variations to accommodate special intereests. The feeling among many of the unions is that the experiment would go

The Post Office has agreed the preliminary allocations for to a request from the council the main baard. It is seeking to increase union representation on the proposed 230 local area policy committees so The union has made clear that all eight unions can be that unless it gets more direct directly involved. Many of the unions see the local-level function as more important than involvement in the national

> The consensus among the union has no board membership at national or regional level, its views can be adequately represented by unions that

> have membership.
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> The society's view is that if it can secure strong direct representation at regional level i t would waive its ambitions on the national board. Some of the bigger unions in the Post Office do not appear to have wormed to that strategy, how-

Most of the eight unions have held meetings to select "worker" nominations to the national and regional boards. Sub Mr Varley, Storetary of Tele-State for Industry, had hoped

in Dublin raid

An armed gang of about four men escaped with £10,000 in a Dublin bank raid yesterday. No one was hurt. The gang's car was found abandoned.

Charge after siege : The first of nine men arrested in congexion with an attempted hold-up at a wholesale warehouse in Dublin at the weekend appeared at the Special Criminal Court in Dublin yesterday. Christopher Gerrard Heapes,

aged 27, of Blanchardstown, co Dublin, faced three charges: possessing a pistol and a revolver and ammunition with intent to endanger life; having the weapons under his control with intent to endanger life: and having no firearm certifi-

Mr Laurence Farrell, for the prosecution, said there would be additional charges. Mr Heapes was remanded in

custody until today.

Mr Myles Shevlin, for the defence of Mr Heapes, said he would be asking for bail. Det Sergeant Leonard Aherne, of the Special Branch, said he arrested Mr Heapes at Leyden's cash-and-carry pre-

mises on Saturday under the Irish Republic's Offences Republic's against the State Act, because he suspected him of being a member of an illegal organiza-Bomb defused: A bomb dis-

posal expert defused a booby trap device left on an army helicopter landing pad at Newtownhamilton, near Newry, co Down, yesterday. The bomb was discovered close to the pad at

Disablement grants 'covers electric aids'

The running costs of an electrically operated wheelchair and other special aids needed by a disabled woman can be by a disabled woman can be met by supplementary benefit payments, the High Court ruled yesterday.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court reversed a decision of the West London Supplementary Benefits Appeal Tribunal which had refused to help Mrs June Wyatt, aged 42, of High Road, Cowley, Middle sex, to pay her electricity bill.

Lord Widgery, the Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Park and Mr Justice May allowed an appreal prought against the appeal brought against the tribunal's decision by Mrs Wyatt's husband, Robert, aged

Mr Justice May said that the tribunal had upheld an earlier decision of the Supplementary Benefits Commission that no

Free drink

offering free in-flight enter-tainment in the economy-class

section of flights into and out

It has issued similar direc-tives to several other airlines

approved by governments and aren then written into the bilateral air agreements between countries, which are signed at government level

and apply to al lairlines.
The Department of Trade
said "Singapore Airlines have

air service agreement which

has been approved by both

The Times yesterday. She wrote: "One wonders on whose

authority the Department of

Trade suddenly decided to cur-

tail the attractions offered by Singapore, and why. Could it have been, 'If Britain cannot run a profitable international

airline with lots of happy pas-sengers, we'll jolly well ensure

that no one else can'?"
Singapore Airlines said last

night: "We have resisted this

move for some time, because

vice to our passengers. How-ever, after intensive negotia-

tions, we are now required to comply with these regulations."

Students at Brunel Univer-

sity, Uxbridge, west London, were ordered by a High Court

judge yesterday to give up part of the university they have

been occupying

Students ordered out

Mrs Phoebe Winch. Sherborne, Dorset, first brought the case to light in a letter in The Times yesterday. She

governments

banned

The tribunal had decided that the running costs could not be taken into account in assessing the supplementary benefit payable to Mr Wyatt because they came under the heading of medical requirements, which are excluded under the provi-

sions of the supplementary Benefits Act. 1976. But the judge said the tribu-nal could not reach such a decision without considering each particular piece of equipment and the purpose for which it was used. Supplementary benewas a matter of last resort. It is the last source of the ordinary citizen", he said.
"If and to the extent that these

electrical costs are not charge-

way that these costs are to be

way that these costs are to be covered by it."

Mr Wyatt, who was present in court, said later, "Everything a disabled person wants involves a long fight. It took us five years to get these aids and equipment for my wife. Now she refuses to use them hecause she is afraid of run-ning up the electricity bill."

Mr Wyatt, who suffers from poor health and has not worked poor health and has not worked for three years, said he had sustained a back injury through lifting his wife. He added: "I think today's decision could affect more than two thirds of disabled people, depending on the degree of their disability." He estimated the weekly cost of running the thereial side at

Covent Garden chorus pay dispute settled

By Arthur Reed,
Air Correspondent
The Department of Trade in London said yesterday that it has ordered Singapore Airlines to stop serving free drinks and offering free in-flight enter.

By Martin Huckerby
Music Reporter
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that wanted to follow the lead given by Singapore. Singapore Airlines is not a member of the International Air Transport Association (Tata), which establishes rules for pay-ment for in-flight entertain-ment late decisions have to be

chorus has agreed to what is essentially a phase three deal.

a 10 per cent increase less £2

a week which had been paid at present that the singers in above the previous pay limit, tend to resume the disruptive there is no sign of a settlement action that led to cancellation

thought would be within the pay guidelines but it had re-sulted in a variety of difficul-ties. The management had contarct, which caused cuts and cancelations at the two opera made an offer that it thought houses, the dispute involving would be within the pay guide the two orchestras was settled, and it was thought that agree-wartery of difficulties. The ment on pay for the singers would soon follow

Although the Covent Garden chorus has agreed to what is survive, of the organizational and technological opportuni-ties available." were frequently ignored and management often faced "what forth to the Department of Employment, but there ap-peared to be no swift solution in sight. can only be described as near abarchy". He added: "It is high time that some of my friends in the Fleet Street

at the London Coliseum. of performances of two operas

Not the least of the difficular time ENO.

Tribunal asked to modify covenant designed to preserve residential estate | Civil Service | Civil Service

Mayfair casino plan runs up against a snag

of London's most popular gambling districts, have run up against a 41-year-old deed of covenant, a Lands Tribunal hearing in London was told yesterday.

Daejan Investments Ltd is applying for a modification of the covenant to permit gaming at 30 Curzon Street, formerly part of the estate of Lord Howe. The covenant, dating from 1936, stipulates that the building shall be used only for shops, offices, flats and gar-

Court move

union fails

An attempt by Beaverbrook

Newspapers to stop a printing

workers' union from limiting

the number of copies of the

Daily Express published during

the Daily Mirror journalists' dis-

pute was rejected in the High

sought an injunction to stop Mc

William Keys, general secretary

of the Society of Graphical and

Allied Trades from ordering his

members on the Daily Express

After a private hearing, Mr

Justice Cusack rejected the

Afrerwards Mr Alan Bellinger, director of industrial relations for Beaverbrook, said: "A conference will be

held and an appeal considered." Letter to chairman: Mr Keys

reacted sharply yesterday to a "personal attack" by the Daily Express last Friday (our Labour Reporter writes). In a

letter to Mr Victor Matthews, chairman of Beaverbrook News-

papers, he said that the union objected to Beaverbrook and other publishers who had sought to take unfair advantage

of a "colleague in the in-dustry". He added: "You seek

to promote the declining sales of the Daily Express to the dis-

advantage of the Daily Mirror when that paper has no means of defending itself:"

London editions of the Duily Mirror were not published for the eighth successive issue

The British Printing Industry

Federation, representing 4,000 firms, and the Newspaper Society, representing provinicial

newspaper managements, yes-terday rejected a pay claim from three printing unions which, the federation said,

challenged the 12-month rule.

Fleet Street threat: A warning

that the industrial situation in Fleet Street was threatening

the existence of some papers was given in London yesterday by Sir Richard Marsh, chairman

of the Newspaper Publishers Association. He said: "Although

Difficulties in the industry

unions persuaded their mem-bers that the present situation

is not simply a threat to pro-prietors but an increasing threat to the employment of the men on the shop floor."

today.

not to print extra copies.

Newspapers

against

Beaver brook

application.

Plans to open a new casino Ladbroke Group, which has an in the centre of Mayfair, one optional lease on the building. optional lease on the building. intended to move its present casino at the Hertford Club near by into the new premises. The building was sold for £2.7m

four years ago. Mr Ronald Bernstein, QC, for Daejan, said planning permission and a justices' licence had been granted for gambling use, and the Gaming Board had also issued a licence.

The application is opposed by the Howe Estate, as well as the Curzon House Club, owned by Coral Leisure Group Ltd and local residents. ..

nant restriction, originally designed to preserve a residential estate, was now wholly incapable of achieving that aim. The covenant had been taken

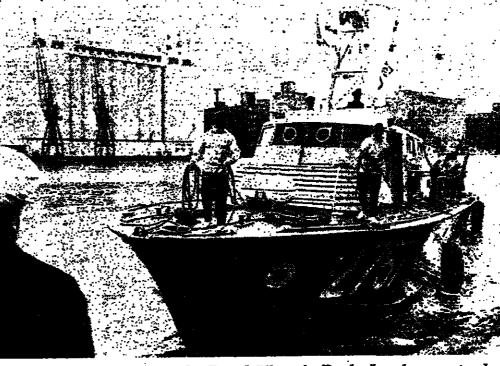
out for the benefit of property in Curzon Street forming part of the Howe estate, but since then there had occurred a trans-formation in the character of the street from residential to

Mr Adrian Eve. senior partner in a West End company chartered surveyors, said there were 10 casinos within a short distance of Curzon Street. It was one of the most popular

gambling districts in London.
Transferring gaming activities
from the Hertford Club to the
new building would have little
effect on the district, and no effect on the price of surrounding properties.

The tribunal was told that 30 Curzon Street, was a grade 2 listed building, built in 1750 and later redesigned by Robert Adam. In 1936 residents near by included Lord Crewe. Lord Reading, and the filth Lord Howe, After the war the Royal Worcester Porcelain Company

occupied the building. The hearing continues today.



HMAFV 2757 arriving at the Royal Victoria Dock, London, yesterday, en route to the RAF museum at Hendon.

unions launch 'week of action'

By our Labour Reporter Nine unions represending 500,000 civil servants launched a "week of action' yesterda. in support of a demand for research to be instituted for their pay settlement in April.

The Government has conceded the reactivation of the pay research unit, which comprivate industry, for the 1979 settlement. The unions, fearing strict control of their wages next year, want an emergency pay research conducted in the coming months.

The staff side of the National Whitey Council is anxious in prevent a free-for all over par-next year. Mr William Kendall, side secretary-general expressed concern at the pros-pect of a chaotic situation.

He added: "The underlying threat is that the Governmen will insist on a pay settlement of 10 per cent or less while the general trend elsewhere is above 10 per cent."

Delegates from the North-east, representing 20,000 mem-bers of the Civil and Public Services Association, decided in Durham vesterday to support the national action. A one-day strike has been called today by CPSA members in north-west Wales, which will delay payment of unemployment and supplementary benefits by up to three days.

A mass meeting of civil servants to be held in London has been called, to be addressed by Mr Kendall and union general secretaries. The unions have asked for a formal meeting of the National Whitley Council, the first for 31 years, to emphasize their concern.

Children among five dead in three fires

A man who apparently fell ter Michelle, aged 12 months. asleep while smoking a cigarette died in a fire at his bome in Birmingham yesterday. Troops equipped with breathing apparatus found Mr Charles Godbold, aged 68 in his smoke-filled bedroom in St Peter's Road, Hands

Police believe Mr Godbold was dead when the fire was discovered. It is thought his cigarette set fire to magazines and bedding.

He was the fifth person to die in separate fires yesterday, bringing the death toll in the first 15 days of the firemen's strike to 31.

Early yesterday a man and his two young granddaughters died in a blaze in a small terdied in a blaze in a small ter-rance house in Bulwer Street, Antield, Merseyside. The grand-father, Mr Ronald Johnson, aged 42, who lived next door, died trying to rescue Paula Cooper, aged two, and her sis-

Liverpool police said the strike could in no way be blamed for the three deaths.

A senior fire officer and a police office: from the Mersey-side forces fell through a ceiling during the first but were uninjured. When the alarm was raised two Army "Green God-dess" fire appliances were sent and four firemen left the picket lines outside the nearest fire station. Wearing breathing apparatus,

they fought their way into the house through a bedroom window but by then it was too late. When the Army's first Green Goddess arrived the house was burning fiercely. The soldiers were unable to get their lad-ders up to the first floor windows because of the flames. The children's bodies were

found in an upstairs front bed-room and their grandfather's in a rear bedroom, where he had apparently teen searching for

In Sheffield a crippled elderly man died after having been trapped in his burning home in Eastern Crescent, Arbourthorne, Mr George Southwell, aged 72, was found dead in front of an open coal fire.

Neighbours fought the blaze with buckets of water and a hosepipe and had brought it under control when troops and police arrived. Mr James McKenzie, aged 44.

of Forth Street, Stirling, died when fire broke out in his house early yesterday. When soldiers. using two Green Goddesses, got into the house he was dead, apparently suffocated by smoke. The house was badly damaged. Brigades Union of more than a hundred part-time firemen in

Avon will have little or no effect on the strike campaign. Mr Alan Totterdell, the union's south-west region secretary, said in Bristol yesterday. He was commenting on the reported de-fection of part-timers to the

rival Retained Fire Fighters' Police increased their watch after a tenth case of suspected arson at the Middlesex Hospital. London, in two weeks. Files on a desk near a hospital ward were set on fire on Sun-day night but police and staff managed to put out the fire before it caused serious

damage. Mr David Williams, a striking fireman from Springvale. Sheffield, said yesterday that after his wife's social security benefit arrived he found that the family was £6.24 a week better off because he was ou

When he is working. Mr Williams brings home £42 a week for his wife and their four children, aged between three and 14. The social security cheque came to £48.24. he said. "It is ridiculous that firemen should be raiued so lowly as to get paid less than an unemployed man.

Boy who went on cruise has typhoid

Association. He said: Almough Fleet Street provides some of the highest peid employment in this country, we have not received the cooperation from the shop filoor which is essen-tial if the industry is to take edvantage, which it needs to A boy who was a passenger Blackburn on an African cruise earlier another pass this month has contracted typhoid, the Department of Health and Sociel Security confirmed yesterday. The boy, a passenger on an Epirotiki Line ship, the Jupiter, is in Park Lee Hospital, Blackburn, Three other people and a boy aged 9 have also been taken

ill after two, cruises by the Jupiter. A Manchester woman, aged 37, was in the Monsall Isolation Hospital, Manchester, last night as a confirmed para-typhoid case.

Her son, who was found to be a typhoid carrier, has been

Prince asked for

view on case of

attempted rape

By a Staff Reporter
The Prince of Wales was asked yesterday to comment publicly on a six-month prison sentence given recently to a Royal Navy sailor for attempted rape and causing actual bodily

women Against Rape delivered a letter to the Prince, a retired Navy commander, giving details of the case of Maurice Markham, described as an engineer in the Royal Navy, who was jailed in October.

The letter complained that

the tener compramed that the case was one of a long line, in which judges "had seen fit to be lenient to men in uni-form". It cited the case of Guardsman Thomas Holds-worth, who was convicted of

rape but was freed by the Court

of Appeal.
"Returning from your recent

Blackburn man aged 77, another passenger on the first Thomson Holidays cruise, is improving slowly from ysentery. A Manchester woman, aged

51, who was on the second cruise, is undergoing tests at Monsall. The North West Regional Health Authority said the first cruise, from October 25 to November 9, estarted at Casablanca and ended at Tangier, calling at Gambia, the Canry Isles nd Madeir.

Passengers started to feel unwell after a buffer lunch before they boarded the ship at Casablanca.

"It looks as though we have one case of typhoid and several cases of paratyphoid and salmonella." On the second cruise, from

Tangier to Greece between November 9 and 16, many passengers complained of diarr-Thomson Holidays

representatives from the company were meeting officials of the department, "We believe the cause of the outbreak was either a meal, which everyone had, in a restaurent in Casablanca or a germ someone brought on board on embarka-

Life jail for murder of cripple

Barry Dennis Donovan, aged 29, who was said at the Central Criminal Court to have strangled a crippled man, was jailed for life yesterday.

Mr Donovan, a kitchen porter, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to murdering Mr Ronald Enever, sged 46, of Lambourne Road, Barking,

£21,000 bank raid

Dense fog helped four masked men armed with revolvers, to get away with £21,000 from the Pakistan-Indian United Bank in Great Western Road, Glasgow,

Attempt to end Labour split on Europe

heen told that they must abide by the tariffs and conditions of service laid down by the Continued from page 1

tioned during the Cabinet-NEC meeting. It was called to discuss the letter that Mr Callaghan sent to the executive in September, in which he said that he was in no doubt that there were aspects of Community policies that did not work in British interests, or might "work counter to our concepts of how Britain and Europe should develop".

He believed the task was to "produce a long-term perspec-tive for reform and change with the Community". Mr Callaghan told the meet-

together from a position of political strength. The United Kingdom could play a decisive part in exercising that influence. He said he thought it should be possible for the

ing that Europe's economic weight could be made far more important by all the nine countries working closely

proposed working party to agree on a statement that would "go" for both the Government and the party.

Mr Eric Heffer, MP for Liv-

erpool, Walton, launched the attack of the anti-EEC lobby with an accusation that it was the Cabinet, not the NEC, who were completely out of tune with the party. After the demonstration by Labour back-benchers against the direct elections Bill last week it would be difficult in set agreement in the difficult to get agreement in the

working party.

He suggested that the Government should support the motion to be put in the Commons by Mr Nigel Spearing, MP for Newham, South, asking that no proposal should be approved by a British minister in the Council of Ministers until the Commons has debated the sub-

tion. The Government should tell the Community what Labour was seeking and that if it did not get it it would with-

"That may sound like a form of blackmail", Mr Mikardo said, "but it is the only way to

He did not think much of the so-called concessions obtained in the "renegotiation" leading up to the referendum. He had rejuctantly concluded that the Prime Minister's letter was not a bona fide attempt to get common ground and he very

much regretted it.
Mrs Barbara Castle and Miss Joan Maynard, MP for Sheffield, Brightside, also thought the Bill should be withdrawn. Mrs Castle said it got through

Parliamentary Labour Party— 188 MPs out of 309 on her figures—had either voted against or absteined. When it came to the vote on a method of election, the very least the Prime Minister could do, she said, would be to see that no government spokesman men-tioned proportional representa-tion from the dispatch box. If the Government did not accept Mr Spearing's motion in the Commons, cynicism would be rampant again, she forecast...

Mr Foot, Leader of the Com-mons, recognized that there Another critic, Mr Ian were deep divisions of principle Mikardo, wanted no blurring of on the EEC, but the Governthe issues. There was no point ment had made its decision and in working out detailed proposals for reform if Britain was to start from an impotent position. The Covernment should port it.
If, as was being suggested,

Labour MPs in the future were to ignore a two-line whip on the Bill, that would be a betrayal of the Labour movement. It was the duty of the party to make a common approach to the issue and find agreement

Dr Owen, Foreign Secretary, said he had never been in favour of a federal Europe. He said the authority of the national parliaments and their powers must be maintained. They should not be decreased without parliamentary approval. There was a great need to strengthen the United Kingdom Parliament's control over many

heroin smuggler

Amjad Fayyaz, aged 24, said to have smuggled heroin valued at £173,000 from Bangkok to London because he needed money to help his family in Kenya, was jailed at Reading Crown Court, Berksbire, vester-

Weather forecast and recordings



tral N England, Wales, Isle of Man: Dry, bright or sunny spells; wind variable. Right: max temp 5°C. (41°F).
NW, NE England, Lake District. Today Sun rises : Sun sets: 7.41 am 3.57 pm NW, NE England, Lake District, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Dry, bright or sunny spells, but some fog persisting in places; wind variable, light; max temp 4°C (39°F).

Aberdeen. Central Highlands, Moray Firth: Dry, bright or sunny intervals; wind variable or SW, light; max temp 4°C (39°F).

NE NW Scotland: Mortic on Moon sets : Moon rises : 10.11 am 7.30 pm Last quarter: December 3. Lighting up : 4.27 pm to 7.12 am. Lighting up: 4.27 pm to 7.12 am.

High water: London Bridge,
3.35 am, 7.0m (22.8ft); 3.55 pm,
6.9m (22.7ft). Avonmouth, 8.52
am. 12.5m (41.1ft); 9.15 pm,
12.3m (40.3ft). Dover, 12.35 am,
6.6m (21.6ft); 12.52 pm, 6.4m
(20.9ft). Hull, 7.57 am, 6.8m
(22.2ft); 7.59 pm, 7.0m (22.9ft).
Liverpool, 12.50 am, 8.6m
(28.3ft); 1.3 pm, 8.8m (28.8ft).

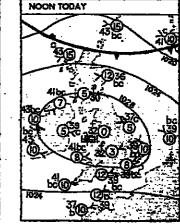
An anticyclose centred over N
Britain will move only slowly and
continue to dominate the weather
pattern over all areas. NE, NW Scotland: Mostly dry, hright or sunny intervals; wind SW moderate; max temp 6° to 7°C (42° to 45°F).

Argyll, N Ireland: Dry, bright Argyll, N freland: Dry, bright or sumy spells after early mist; wind variable, becoming S, light; max temp 5° to 6°C (41° to 43°F). Orkney, Shetland: Occasional light rain clearing, bright intervals developing; wind W moderate, max temp 7°C (45°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Tanysday: Continuing mostly dry and cold, some sunshine and right frost, fog parches early and late. Sea passages: S North Sea:

continue to dominate the weather pattern over all areas.
Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
London, SE, central S, SW England, Channel Islands: Isolated winty showers, bright or sunny spells; wind ME, moderate, locally fresh; max temp 5°C (41°F).
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WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; f, fair ; r,





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Wind E becoming variable: sca Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind E strong; sea rough.
St George's Channel: Wind E
fresh; sea moderate.
Trish Sea: Wind light and variable; sea smooth.

Yesterday

London: Temp: Max, 6 am to 6 pm, 6°C (43°F): min, 6 pm to 6 am. 2°C (36°F). Humidiry, 6 pm, 69 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 6 pm, 0.01in. Sun, 24hr to 6 pm, 3.8hr. Bar. mean sea level, 6 pm, 1,029.0 millibars, steady.

1,000 millibars=29.52in.





Another critic, Mr Ian Mikardo, wanted no blurring of

draw.

get things done."

Parliamentary report, page 10 Council spending reply Parliamentary proposels for "Do people really think that the monitoring of council spend an annual report made to a "Do people really think that

tour you must know the kind of effect such a scandalous situation can have on inter-national relations", the letter said. Earlier 20 women demonstrated outside the Home Office in protest at the sentence on the sailer. They were particu-larly angry about the remarks

the country loses your services". The judge also recom-mended his reinstatement. Seven years for

of the judge in the case, who said it would be "a shame if

day for soven years.

Mr Fayyaz, of Bath Street,
Rugby, pleaded guilty to evading prohibition on 1,800 gramms
of the drug at Heathrow in

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Civil Servio unions launch wee of action'

Political action should | Work starts be included in school courses, report urges

Education Correspondent

Courses in political education should be made part of a common core or protected part of the curriculum for all pupils in econdary schools, the political decation research unit at York etacanon research unat at York University says in a draft report of a finest-year research project. Polatical education, it says should include a study of institutions, parties, political concepts, issues of national and everydry life, and the skills necessary to take political

Political action, it suggests, might be anything from writing a letter to an MP, or speaking at a public meeting, to organizing a petition, forming a pressure group, or taking other

The report acknowledges the need to reassure the public about the danger of the indoctrination of children by reachers with strong political views or bias, and remove the fear that, for example, long-haired Marxist teachers would be leading children into revolution on the streets.

Living in a phuralistic society, with many sources of informa-tion available, and influenced non avaisable, and introduced by various agencies of political occidization such as the family, the media, and still, for some the Causch, as well as the chool teachers are relatively impotent to transmit values to their students, it says. Instances of charismatic political education teachers, such as Chris Searle, were remarkable for their rarity.

In a detailed study of six schools providing political education the unit found that reachers were greatly worried abour the possibility of the transmission of their own political values and ideologies to

their pupils.

Interviews with the pupils, however, showed that they had a clear and accurate view of the value position of the reacher, made allowances for it, and did not see it as a difficulty. Teachers were therefore worryne unnecessarily when wonder

Scottish

land plan

criticized

The Scottish Landowners' Federation replied yesterday to

recent calls for land nationalization in Scotland. It said in a statement that the sole result of public ownership of agricul-

hureaucracy, the loss of revenue

renant system was the founda

man of the federation, said the

cost of a small arable farm plus stock was more than 2500,000. The return on let land after all

The report suggests that there is a need for further empirical research into the questions concurring prejudice, bias, and inductionation, if only to lay those ghosts:

gnosis:
Provided a teacher had the right approach to "political literacy", which involved being aware of and communicating the atternatives to his own political position, having a respect for the truth and reason, showing solerance and fairness to differ-ent points of view, there should be no danger, the unit found.

be no danger, the unit found.

The unit was set up in 1974 with a £20,000 grant from the Nuffield Foundation under Professor Iau Lister, head of the department of education at York University, to study the political learning of young people in schools and colleges in order to discover appropriate ways of assessing political learning, and to identify the possibilities and the limitations of formal programmes of political educa-

A further £20,000 was given time to finance a twin research project, under Professor Bernard Crick, head of the department of politics and sociology at Birkbeck College, London, to encourage the development of to propose suitable

secondary schools and further education colleges, it does not feel that a rapid spread of such courses is possible given the shortage of suitably trained

how to identify, understand and analyse political issues and conhow to identify, understand and analyse political issues and concepts, and how to organize teaching end learning so as actively to involve most students in discussion and debate and encourage the creation of a "democratic classroom".

The report calls for a national survey of the provision of political education in schools.

on £1m **Irish Centre** extension

By Philip Howard

The Irish Centre in Camden, London, the spiritual and social and women lost in the wasteland of London, yesterday launched an ambitious scheme for a film extension.

Cardinal Hume, Archbishop of Westminster, and Mgr Tomas O Fizich, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, laid the frimate of AM Ireland, laid the first three bricks under the critical eyes of an expert audience. The rest of the work will be done more expeditiously by the contractors, J. Murphy and Sons, which should mean that it will be finished by June, 1979.

The centre was founded as an easis of Irishdom 22 years ago m two rambling Victorian terrace houses. After the war there was plenty of work, par-ticularly on the building sites, and the Irish streamed over at a rate of up to a thousand a we k. Lonely for the greenery of home, they had nowhere to go for companionship after a dusty day on the building site except the public house. In parts of London such as Kilburn and Camden Town they acquired a reputation for booze

The loneliness of the London Irish was captured by John Keane, the playwright, who was for a time an emigrant to



Mgr O. H. Fiaich and Cardinal Hume laying the first bricks yesterday for the extension to the Irish Centre.

wood, to mortar, bricks, and for the homesick, and personal occasion. The centre was full of nuns, priests, and chunky men wood until he serves his time. Since then the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-one crickle-wood, Oh Crickle-wood, you stole my youth than 2,500 a week compared to the control of the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the centre has saved 30,000 Irish from ship-wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week compared to the big city. lime, And let him rot in Crickle-

but you were old and grey."
In 1955 a group of Irish
priests and laity, concerned
about the Irish adrift in London, Keane, the playwright, who was opened the Irish centre. It was buildings have decayed, while for a time an emigrant to intended to provide temporary the work has increased. In Indiana in the center of the launching of the extension of the unemployed, social life sion was a pleasantly Irish

originally been assessed for tax over the three years on £174,654, but the commissioners had reduced that to £27,805,

The judge rejected the Inland

partnership could not exist in was introduced, tax is payable

Revenue contention that the

wreck in the big city, and more than 2,500 a week come for dinner dances, ceilidhs, Guin-ness, and other lifelines to home. tA present 135 young rish men and women, who have nowhere else to stay, are being put up at the centre. But the

with horny hands, all talking nineteen to the dozen. The bars

Cardinal Hume said: "Much of the criticism of the Irish is anachronistic caricature, which does not serve to promote good community relations. A million pounds is a lot of money, but Catholics have never been short

David Frost does not owe tax on £174,000, judge says

personality, does not owe tax cluding Mr Frost's foreign earnou more than £174,000 of his ings between 1969 and 1972 from
earnings in the United States, income tax. Mr Frost, of the profits of the company,
Mr Justice Browne-Wilkinson Edgerton Crescent, Chelsea, had Leander Productions Ltd. active under the agreement. Mr Frost received 95 per cent of After the judgment one of Mr Frost's legal advisers said that The judge held that the part-nership was legally valid. It was intended to exploit Mr Frost's talents abroad, he said. before Leander was set up Mr Frost had been advised to leave Britain for financial reasons. The money under the Bahamian partnership was never received by Mr Frost in Britain.

Since the Finance Act, 1974, sterling area, so the Bahamian

Name game aim to halt legal

campaign From Our Correspondent

A man accused by the Law Society on six counts of carrying out house purchase convey-ancing work while unqualified to do so told Worcester magi-strates yesterday that he had changed his surname by deed poil to Whatsisname as a pru-test against the society's "Don't trust Whatsisname" advertising

After the case he said he was planning to ask the Society to cancel the campaign so that it would not defame him. it would not defame him.

Mr Francis Reynolds, aged
43, a law lecturer, of Hylton
Road, Worcester, revealed his
change of name after pleading
not guilty to the six summonses
of carrying out conveyancing
work when he was not a qualified solicitor. He was addressed
as Mr Whatsisname by the
magistrates and court officials
during the rest of the hearing.
He sold the court: "No

He told the court: "No doubt the bench has been offended by the advertising campaign mounted by the Law Society. The society believes that, like the Pope, it is inpurpose of these proceedings is for it to wage a war of attribute account me."

attrition against me." The case was adjourned until January to give Mr Whatsis-name time to prepare his

Jail for youth leader

Judge McDonnell was told at Middlesex Crown Court yesterday that Everton George Beck-ford, aged 22, twice found guilty of robbery and on a suspended two-year sentence for employed as a leader at a Stoke Newington youth hostel.

Mr Beckford, of Upper Clapton Road, Hackney, was jailed for nine mouths for dishoestly sets. The two-year sensence is remain suspended

In brief

Petition to save opera house

Copies of a petition with more than 10,000 signatures calling on Greater Manchester Council and the Arts Council to save the Manchester Opera House will be presented to officials of the two councils today (our Theatre Reporter

writes).
The Opera House and the Palace Theatre, Manchester, are threatened with closure early in the new year.

Algarve body named An inquest was opened in Westminster yesterday and adjourned until January 11 on anjoining man january Har-rison, aged 25, of Penzance, whose body was found in the sea off Algarve, Portugal, more than a month ago.

Mayor's wife robbed Mrs Dawn Methuen, wife of

the Mayor of Kensington and Chelsea was beaten up in her home at Warwick Square, Westminster, yesterday and robbed of jewelry and silver ware valued at £3,500.

Ambulances return Merseyside ambulance services operated to schedule yesterday after a dispute over bonus payments, which arose from an overtime ban and ended in a 13-hour strike before settlement was agreed last Fri-

£48,000 damages

Mrs Margaret Lewis, aged 32, of Merthyr Tydfil, whose husband was killed when his bulldozer toppled over the edge of an open-cast mine roadway in 1970, was awarded £48,044 damages in the High Court, London, yesterday.

Post-mortem on bear Officials carried out a postmortem examination yesterday

at Bristol 200 to try to find out how Sebastian, aged 19 years, the first male polar bear born in Britain, died.

Office strike

About 150 staff at the social security office at Wigan, Greater Manchester held a oneday strike yesterday over the dismissal of a colleague.

missing baronet, is not being sheltered by his aristocratic

Arch, London.

He is believed to have debts tural land would be an enor-mous bill for the nation, more from capital taxation on private Members of the federation
own more than four fifths of rural land in Scotland. The statement said the landlord-

Lord Normanton, who tion on which the British agri-cultural industry had produced food efficiently. It was also the best way of enabling farmers to enter the industry, since it did not require them to buy and The Duke of Atholl, chair-

charges had been paid and expenses met was only 2 per

cent. It was therefore more profitable for a man to farm his own land, which accounted for the trend towards ownerbeen sold, and we think Sir Rupert can help us."

Sir Rupert's mother, Allthea
Lady Mackeson, is understood
to be suing him for the return A recent book on Scottish and ownership and policy state-

Women in the South York-shire police force are being

Sir Rupert Mackeson 'not being sheltered'

Portman Square, near Marble

up to £100,000 and the police were seeking to interview him in connexion with complaints about his holiday company.

His disappearance was reported after several groups of holidaymakers had complained that his Mayfair travel agency had suddenly closed without issuing tickets for paid

friends, Lord Normanon said yesterday. Sir Rupert, of the brewing family, disappeared in October from his home in

that he might have been hidden by influential and wealthy friends.

best men at Sir Rupert's wedding to Miss Camilla Keith, dismissed the theory. "I have not seen him for years", he said, "and as I keep in touch with his former friends I know they have not seen him."

they have not seen him."

Detectives are appealing for people who bought £3 tickets to a lecture next wek in support of the "National Arts Council Fund" to come forward.

Scotland Yard said: "We have established that the fund does not exist and the lecture will not take place. A number of tickets are thought to have been sold, and we think Sir

ments by the Scottish National Party and the breakaway Scot-tish Labour Party all favour of cash and jewelry totalling about \$13,000.

Detectives are anxious to trace anyone who has had dealwhen they climbed in skirts over walls or out of cars. ings with the company, Master

Classes, of Shepherd Street and Shepherd Market. They know of 25 members of the Art and Creative Society of Rickmans-worth, Hertfordshire, who were unable to get into touch with the company after they had paid £3,500 for a four-day visit to

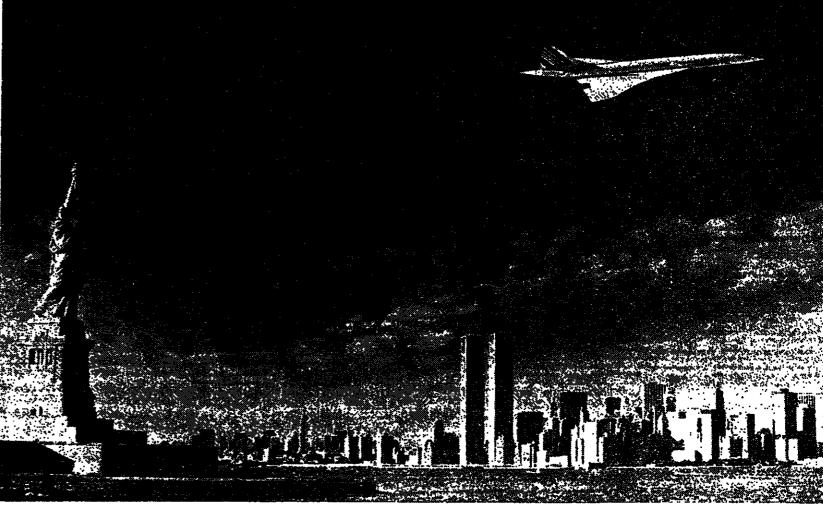
a writer and lecturer, who led some of Sir Ruper's culture tours, said: "I never believed he could be making money, but and printing and ran two offices I could never see how he could possibly make a

> disclosed that Sir Rupert had run into difficulties organizing in support of the Art-Collections Fund. lectures National He said: "He had to cancel some lectures at the last minute enormously upset. I understand something went very seriously

wrong.
Scotland Yard said Sir Rupert
was asked to organize a lecture
on Rubens for the fund, which
paid money for tickets. "We
have not yet interviewed anyone in contexion with this, so we do not know how much is involved."

Professor Julius Held, an expert on Rubens, disclosed that expert on Rubens, disclosed that he had considered suing Sir Rupert over the last-minute cancellation of a lecture. Professor Held, Professor of Art History at Columbia University, flew from the United States to give the lecture last month organized by Sir Rupert's company, Master Classes.

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Correspondent
A simple method of double-alazing a house for less than 11 has impressed Hammersmith Borough Council so much that it launched a campaign yester-day to publicize the idea.

The council believes it can save fuel costs and help old people to avoid the danger of bypothermia. The key to the method developed by Mr Geoffrey Horsley, a scientist at Harwell Research Laboratories, is a transparent food wrapping

material sold by supermarkers and groce-s, usually in rolls 12 inches wide. Be tested the idea for a year before announcing that he had uccessfully double-glazed a recommended for greatest effi-

Mr Barrie Stead, leader of the council, which has 30,000 pensioners in its area, ex-plained: "An increasing namber of elderly people, not only in Hammersmith but in all main cities, are facing soaring fuel costs. Their reaction is not to use hearing, resulting in at least considerable suffering or, in the worst cases, death from hypothermia."

The council has produced a series of slides which will be shown to pensioners at luncheon and social clubs and made available to residents' and tenants'

borough.
For those elderly people who the bedraom house for £1. The cannot tackle the task the countransparent film is pressed cil's voluntary help section of against window frames, to adult volunteers and senior which it adheres. A linch gap children in local schools will between which is a children in local schools will between window and film is do the work.

Pleas by two struck-off doctors fail

Deb Narayan, a former doctor, released from prison ear-lier this year, had his application to resume practice rejected yesterday by the Dis-ciplinary Committee of the ciplinary Committee of the General Medical Council. Dr Narayan, formerly practising in Station Street East, Coventry, was suspended from the medical register in July last year and his name was erased two months later by the committee. He had been given a two-month prison sentence on a

drink-and-driving charge. The committee also decided not to restore the name of Philip Mathews Goodrich, now in Christchurch, New Zealand, to the medical register in Eng-land. He was fined £800 in March, 1974, for obtaining drugs by deception, unlawfully possessing them and failing to

i keep a register.

Sports action line opened to help youth

A "sports action line" was Onened by the Central Council of Physical Recreation last night to enable young people from anywhere in Britain ro now to become involved in sport and recreation.

The sports action line, tele-plane number (01) 584 6651, and be manned from S am to 3 Pm, with a tape-recording ser-

Mr Peter Lawson, the coun-

cil's general secretary, said in London yesterday that it had produced a 14-point plan deective prompt advice about signed to foster greater particiby young people.

"We want action by the Goveroment, schools, local authorities, clubs, so that the young get opportunities for sport, to take messages during otherwise interest will dwindle

the night, and was opened at away because of a lack of 5 pm yesterday.

away because of a lack of proper direction and facilities."

One of the main difficulties is the fact that the minister for sport, Mr Howell, is in the Department of the Environment, so the Department of Education and Science, which should be helping to create greater participation in sport by the young, say it is nothing to do with them, but a matter for the en-vironment department. The young fall between two stools."

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that after 30 years of immigra-tion a large body of people from the minority groups still work in the milks, where night shifts are common; on the buses, where split shifts are common; and in foundries and

the chemical industry, where working conditions are

tion, later described Mr Lane's rentales on building societies
as exaggerated and unfortunate.
He said: "There are only

two matters that we consider when dealing with mortgage applications: the report of the

applications: the report of the surveyor on the property in question, and the financial status of the applicant.

"We do not ask any questions about ethnic origins and

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Mr Ralph Stow, chairman of

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Court upholds right of unmarried woman to evict her partner

Services Correspondent . Commercied women have the many right as wives to expel violent men from their homes under the Domestic Violence and Matrimonial Proceedings Act. 1976, the Court of Appeal decided yesterday by a majority verdet. The decision overturned approximations of Appeal decided personnel Court of Appeal two previous Court of Appeal

udgateuts. The previous judgments ruled that the property rights of the man involved overruled the ngitts of cohabitees to exclude drent, even where they jointly owind or rented the property. The Court of Appeal yesterday gave Jeave to appeal to the House of Lords gainst its decision and an appeal is expected

soon. That still leaves the interpre-Miss Josephine Richardson, Labour MP for Barking and architect of the new law, promised yesterday to press for the introduction of amending legislation of the Lords over legislation if the Lords over ruk the Court of Appeal.

"If the House of Lords take the opposite view, I will immediately seek to get amending legislation to clarify the Act in the way that I intended and I believe Parliament intended", she said. "The intention always was that cohabiting couples should have the same rights as married couples to exclude violent partners."

She added that she saw the She added that she saw the selection as a "blow for freedom" in that it made clear that the courts no longer see women as the chattels of their men, and it gave cohabiting couples more rights than they had previously enjoyed.

Miss Jennifer Davis, aged 21, whose appeal was allowed ves-

whose appeal was allowed yes-terday, is staying in the bat-tered wives refuge in Chiswick with her daughter. Cordelia, aged two. She intends to return Monday to the flat she



Miss Jennifer Davis.

shared as joint tenant with Mr Nehemiah Johnson. Mrs Tina Wood, a social

worker at the refuge, said yesterday that Miss Davis and the other women at the refuge were very pleased with the decision, although the Lords appeal was pending. The decision was also welcomed by the light of the control of the co

sion was also welcomed by the Rights of Women organization, and the National Women's Aid-Federation, which coordinates a network of more than a hundred refuges for battered wives throughout Britain.

The federation said the judgment upheld the original spirit of the Act, but pointed out that there were still uncertainties about its inerpreation, which might mean that county court judges would continue to be judges would continue to be reluctant to grant exclusion orders where a couple were not married. Other parts of the Act were under stress in practice because some courts were refuctant to attach powers of arrest to exclusion orders and, even when they were given, in some areas the police were unwilling

to enforce them.

Law Report, page 8

Holidays for disabled

Cardiff
Local authorities were urged yesterday to help in providing annual holidays for some of the 15 million people in Britain who are unable to take a vacation for reasons of disability, infirm-

y or poverty. Mr Barry Jones, Under-Secreary of State for Wales, who was addressing a conference in Cardiff on social tourism, said the authorities should make more use of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons' Act, 1970, when their financial circumstances improved. do most to help the Mr Jones told the conference, privileged.

organized by the Wales Tourist Board and the Wales TUC: "There now exists an awareness that the disadvantaged have a particular need for a holiday. Sadly, it is the low-paid, the elderly, and the physically handicapped who are least likely to be able to afford a

holiday." He suggested that more initiative could be taken in offering low-cost holidays to underprivileged groups from September to May, and called for the establishment of a social tourism award for those who

Half of elms in some areas killed by disease

By a Staff Reporter .

About 11 million elms are estimated to have been killed by Dirtch elm disease in the most seriously affected parts of Britain, according to a report by the Forestry Commission. That is an increase of two million over the past year, and means that nearly half the original 23 million elms in those areas have been killed.

In some areas, such as the West Midlands, Surrey, Hampwhere end West Sussex, most elims have been killed. Only in two areas, East Sussex and Brighton and Howe, where the elms are geographically isolated, has "sanitation" feliing of turees which have the disease been carried out with reasonable success.

The worst affected areas are south of a line from the Mersey to the Wash, and include paris of Wases. Even outside those areas, there has been a significant increase in Duch elmotresses over the page years the disease over the past year; the number of reported cases has been two to five times higher than last year in northern England and western Wales.

Active control campaiens have been stopped in the blighted areas, apart from East Sussex and Brighton and Hove, and the main efforts are being directed to the clearance of dead elms. In lightly affected areas, sanitation felling is being continued, since it can slow down the development of the

Felling campaigns of that sort in parts of northern England and Scotland, which have been in operation for only one or two years, have proved relatively effective. But it has been found that they can be successful only where disease levels are low and where the felling is extremely thorough. The report expresses concern over the possible illegal movement of elm logs with bark still emached into lightly affected areas.

It adds that organized replanting schemes are of paramount importance, and that grants are available. Although young elm surkers are as susceptible as older trees to the disease, they may escape infection in areas where the disease has destroyed the bigger trees, the "hosts" for the beetles to breed in.

Mirror chief's decree

Mr Percy Charles Roberts, iged 57, chief executive of aged 57, chief executive of Mirror Group newspapers, was granted a decree nisi in London yesterday, against his wife, Constance Teresa, aged 51.



Street confrontation: Mr Horace Cutler, Lambeth council, confronted by an angry resident, Miss Tina Gould, as they inspected housing improvement scheme in Railton shouted that Lambeth had mismanaged its housing policies and that "millions" of houses were left empty while "people like me are in bed and breakfast". The two men had been in a party of central and local government officials touring the borough of Lambeth (John Young writes). Others in the party included Miss Jackson, Under-Secretary of State, Department of Education and Science; Mr Grant, Under-

London Education Authority. After their Leader of the Greater London Council tour, Mr Barnett, Parliamentary Under-(centre) and Mr David Stimpson, leader of Secretary of State, Department of the Environment, said government aid for specific inner-city areas was only " the icing on the cake". It should be seen in the con Road, Herne Hill, yesterday. Miss Gould text of the Government's programme of concentrating all forms of assistance, notably the rate-support grant, in areas of greatest need and deprivation. He said that singling our certain local authorities for special assistance had presented the Government with some difficult decisions. It seems fairly clear that one reason why Lambeth was chosen for yesterday's tour was concern over the growing black "ghetto" in Brixton, with its attendant unemployment, crime and Secretary of State, Department of Employ-ment; Mr Moyle, Minister of State, Depart-ment of Health and Social Security, and Sir Ashley Bramali, leader of the Inner in several districts.

Inner cities 'damaged by development of new towns'

Support for the contention vital to the strength and bal-that inner areas of cities have since of any community. been socially and economically damaged by the development of new nowns is provided in a book published yesterday by the Centre for Environmental

Theauthors, Nicholas Deakin and Clare Ungerson, base their and clare Ungerson, oase ment conclusions on a study of north Islington, London. New towns, it is conceded, have some remarkable achievements to their credit, but they have attracted predominantly young, skilled, white workers who are While there is no evidence

of overt discrimination, there is no doubt that ethnic minorities are under represented in the new and expanding towns, the authors say. According to the 1971 census only 1.1 per cent of the population of eight first-generation new, towns were of New Commonwealth origin, compared with 5.7 per cent in Greater London. Leaving London Planed Mobility and the Inner City (Heinemann, 27.75).

Lord Rosslyn left suicide note, coroner told

Lord Rosslyn, aged 60, who was found dead from gunshot wounds in woods near his home in Berkshire a week ago, left a suicide note it was stated at an inquest at Maidenbead yes-

terday.

Part of the note, in his hand problems and decisions to take nified in my mind, I ask forgive-ness of those who love me and who have tried to help." Mr Robert Wilson, the East Berkshire Coroner, recorded a verdicr of suicide.

Racial discrimination on mortgages alleged

Building societies are said by the Commission for Racial employment.

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Mr David Lane, chairman of the commission, said in Leeds yesterday that building societies have a responsibility to give mortgages to those qualified to receive them.

"We are disturbed that building societies tend to look unfavourably on applications for houses where ethnic minorities are concentrated", he said. Not only had local authorities to be fair allocating houses but the building societies also had a responsibility to be fair in giv-

ing mortgages.

"It is a disturbing fact that building societies look very unbuilding societies look very unbuilding societies look very unbuilding societies on building societies in areas where there are concen-trations of ethnic minorities, in spite of the fact that houses they would otherwise have mortgaged are still available in these areas in large numbers." Mr Lane said building societies in different parts of the country had a policy of not agreeing to mortgages in cer-

tain areas,
Mr Lane spoke of the activities of the National Front in schools and said there would be a special meeting in London tomorrow. "We are organizing activities argints these against thoroughly pernicious, evil

On employment, Mr Lane said the North-east had traditionally been an area of high unemployment and that was made worse for workers from ethnic minorities who, because of direct and indirect racial discrimination, suffered propor-

Mr Stow said some innercity properties were not suitable for purchase, and it was possible that some immigrant groups gravitated towards very poor parts.
"But we do not consider the

colour of a man or woman, or ethnic origins. We have a statutory obligation to carry our a survey of a property, and that is what we consider."

He said the commission had reconstant. exaggerated. Its criticism was a generalization and "very

for men who had knives

Stephen Heffernan, aged 18, a white man, who has been threatened with being sent to a detention centre for threatening a coloured man with a knife at the Notting Hill cornival, was sentenced yesterday to 60 hours' community service work.

Mr Roderick Romain, the Marylebone magistrate, had remanded Mr Heffernan, an accounts clerk, of Birch Hill, Bracknell, Berkshire, at the last hearing for reports after he had been found guilty of having an offensive weapon.

Arvel Ford, aged 18- a coloured storeman from Berb-nal Green, London, who had been threatened with a detention centre when found guilty of threatening behaviour and having a knife at the carnivel was ordered to do 100 hours' community service work and pay £35 costs.

Community job | More areas get work schemes

for offenders The community service scheme is being expanded on Thursday to 23 more areas in eight counties of England and Wales. The expansion, promised in the Chancellor's financial measures in October, means that the scheme will function in all or part of 55 out of 56 probation service regions of England and Wales.

The new areas will include parts of Cambridgeshire, Corn-

parts of Cambridgeshire, Cornwall, Derbyshire, Northumberland, Suffolk, North Wales and

Powys.
Under the scheme a court can make a community service order on an offender aged 17 over who is convicted of an offence for which he could otherwise be imprisoned. If the offender consents to the order he is required to carry out a specified number of hours on approved community work in his spare time.

Anxiety over | Mental health test case programmes

By Kenneth Gosling
The Radio and Television
Safeguards Committee, which
comprises trade union and professional bodies concerned with broadcasting, is seeking an urgent meeting with Sir Brian Young, Director-General of the Independent Broadcast-ing Authority, about what it calls "the disproportionate amount of foreign and old cinema material appearing on British television".

The committee is concerned about "persistent rumours"
that the authority intends to
cut the quota of foreign
material from 14 to 12 per
cent, but that EEC material
will henceforth count as British and that Canadian and North American material formerly regarded as British, will be classified as foreign.

Mr Peter Plouviez, general

ecretary of Equity, the actors union, said yesterday: "We have no doubt that this Christmas will once again see both the BBC and ITV relying on old films as their main attractions." The authority agreed that discussions, still in their early stages, were going on to see whether it would be possible to increase the amount of home-

produced material, thus reduc-

imported TV may affect thousands By Our Social Services

Correspondent
An industrial tribunal hear-

ing which is regarded as a test case on the rights of former psychiatric patients to employment in the private sector will open in Liverpool sector will open in Liverpool to day. The result is expected to affect most of the 180,000 patients discharged from psychiatric hospitals, many of whom seek jobs.

The tribunal will consider whether Mr Henry O'Brien was

unfairly dismissed from his job as a district insurance agent after he had told his employers that he had a history of mental illness. He is being supported by Mind, the organization for mental health, which is campaigning for a Smythe, di-redical change in attitudes by yesterday. employers and the general "There as public towards employment for

the mentally ill.

Mr. O'Brien worked for the
Prudential Assurance Company for almost a year before he disclosed his medical history.
Until then he had been regarded as a conscientious regarded as a conscientious and reliable employee, according to Mr Larry Gostin, Mind's legal adviser, who will represent Mr O'Brien at the tribunal mental illnesses. Most have been in public sector jobs, but Mind believes that job dis-

history of mild mental illness, ing the import of programmes. I including two periods in hos- in the private sector.

£7.8m plan for new pital in the 1960s, led to a stries of interviews with man-agement and to his dismissal. Mind has supported a civil

By Annabel Ferriman A campaign to persuade the Government to back a f7.8m scheme for a new water transport route for South Yorkshire was launched yesterday by the British Waterways Board and South Yorkshire County Counservant in a similar case and he was reinstated in his job. That case led to the Prime Minister's promising to review Civil Service policy in relation to the employment of former psychiatric patients. Mind hopes that the tribunal hear-ing will bring similar results in private industry and com-

The board wants to improve 35km of the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Navigation from Rotherham to Bramwith in order to link Rotherham and Sheffield with the Humber merce.
"If this tribunal does not find in Mr O'Brien's favour, people will understandably be ports.

reluctant to disclose their medical histories because of the fear that it will inevitably lead to the sack." Mr Tony. At present about 500,000 tons of steel, glass, wire, coal, coke, sugar and grain are carried up the waterway each year, but loads of more than 90 nons can-Smythe, director of Mind, said "There are a large number of not go beyond Doncaster. people involved; apart from the 180,000 leaving psychiatric

If 10 locks were improved fir 10 locks were improved, five bridges widened or removed and sharp curves and other restrictions on larger craft reduced, the route would be able to take loads of 400-700 tons. It is estimated that the annual total could be increased by 2,400,000 tons.

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The board has been told that it could qualify for a 30 per cent grant from the EEC Regional Development Fund, which would amount to £2.3m. It also estimates that the cost of bringing the neglected waterway up to the standard required by law would be another £2.4m, so the Government is being asked to provide only an extra asked to provide only an extra 13m for the improvements.

Representatives from the board are to meet two groups of MPs tomorrow to put their case: the Yorkshire MPs and the all-party waterways group.
It is also seeking a meeting with Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment, in

Mr Kenneth Sampey, deputy leader of South Yorkshire County Council, said yesterday that the council was supporting the scheme because it would attract industry to the area and might provide anything up to 7,500 jobs. For a cost equivalent to only a mile of urban motorway, it would also give an environmental uplift to a very deprived area.

Mr David McCance, general manager of the British Water-ways Board, said it had been wanting to improve the naviga-tion since 1966, but the Government had always said that the time was not right. The Government wanted a

rate of return on that scheme of 15 per cent, even though international contacts, of which the most obvious manifestation was the staging in Leicester-

ing wider advantages to the Cantar VI, the largest thorsi area of the scheme had indicated.

The centre was used by four festival for young singers in cated a return of 19-20 per cent, but the first year. Mr Fairbairn over 2,000 Europeans to sing the last year. Mr Fairbairn over 2,000 Europeans to sing was assessed at 10-11 per cent. In this and the West Cerman said that teachers' courses had for 10 days in Leicester."



See the Orient Chronograph at Way-In at Harrods, Knightsbridge, London S.W.1.; Jewellers and Silversmiths Company Ltd., Kingston upon Thames, Surrey: Orient Jewel Company 546 Oxford Street, Marble Arch, London W.I.; Selfridges, Oxford Street

London W.1.; Orient Watch Shop at Top Shop, corner of Regent Street and Oxford Street London W.1.

County celebrates European links been organized, and a group of

In a few days' rime schools and colleges in Leicestershire will start celebrating a Euro-pean week which will cul-minate in the presentation to the county council of December 9 of a flag of honour awarded by the Council of Europe, It is a recognition of the county's commitment to Europe, and particularly, the education department's efforts in fostering knowledge of the European Community.

Franco-German cheese and wine average will be held from the languages, but it also helps enormously in European studies if they have actually worked with

ecause of the close education-

Year 2,600 children from Lei-cestershire spent a week at the

Regional report

Arthur Osman

Franco-German cheese and wine parties will be held throughout the county, there will be music recitals and concerts, and suitable changes in find out, for instance, that not school meal menus. Leicestershire has been sin- and horse meat. On the other sled out for the award mainly hand, some find out, for the first time, that some do."

Each year, between ten and al links that have been established with the Seine Maritime department in France and the Saarland in West Germany. The French connexion started in 1969 and the West German one in 1973. Mr Andrew Fairbairn the discourse of education and twinning arrangehairn, the director of educa-number of twinning arrange-

natro, the director of education, said four residential
teners in and around Dieppe
had been used for group visits,
and links developed with
schools and the Academy of
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During the last academic
Tear 2600 children form Lair
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secondary school head teachers would soon spend a week in the Saarland to study the secondary school system there. A return visit would be paid by West German teachers.
Plans were in hand for exchange visits by youth groups and youth leaders. As with France, there had been cultural links; recently, Leicestershire musicians had participated in several concerts, including a performance in Bonn which was broadcast live by West German radio. A drama group had put on a series of performances in the Saarland.

hospitals every year, 600,000 people are referred for specialist psychiatric treatment

each year."

Mind deals on average with
two cases a week of people
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crimination is also widespread

Mr Fairbairn continued: There now exist official links with the Seine Maritime and Searland, both of which have been sealed by documents rigned in ceremonies in Leicos-ter, Rouen, and the Saarland. These are declarations of intent signed by our chairman, the Prefect of the Seine Mar-itime, and the minister of education in the Saarland. The cducation links are part of a broader interest shown by Leicestershire in establishing transport infrastructure investigation

shire last year of Europa Cantat VI, the largest shoral

Polish Communist Party leader in Rome for visit which will include talk with Pope

From Peter Nichols Rome, Nov 28 Mr Edward Gicrek, the Polish party leader, arrived here today on a visit to which

Italian Prime Minister. He will see the Pope on Thursday after his official visit to Italy has ended. It will be the first time that a Polish party leader has

hostility between Warsaw and the Vatican. In part, the promise of better relations is due to internal problems in Poland, particularly economic problems.

Navarra

on Basque

From Our Correspondent Madrid Nov 28 The conservative National

Alliance Party today published an appeal to Spain's political

northern province of Navarra after a political killing height-

pro-Madrid and pro-Basque

factions.

The Basque separarist organization ETA assassinated the local chief of the National security police in the provincial capital, Pamplona on Saturday night. The extremist attack, although it was condemoed by the main political parties of the Basque country, was the spark which set off anti-Basque demonstrations on Sunday and today, involving as many as 2,000 people at a time. The demonstrations reflected

The demonstrations reflected

a division of opinion among residents of the province about whether Navarra should be included in the Basque region,

which is about to win pro-visional home rule, or whether

the province should continue to be an administrative dependency

of the central Government in

Navarra, once a kingdom in its own right but historically associated with the other three

Basque provinces, did not form a part of the independent Basque state which was formed at the time of the Spanish civil

Iribarne, and the Centre Demo-cratic Union, which brought Señor Suárez, the Prime Minister, to power, have been pursuing a divideand-conquer

tive parties have any appreci-able strength.

Demonstrations continued throughout the afternoon in-

Pamplona today, after the funeral of Major Joaquin Imaz,

who was shot dead by Basque terrorists on the day on which

Rasque members of Spain's democratically elected Parlia-

ment gave their approval to the text that will grant pro-visional home rule to the

to the security police forces poured fuel on the fire with a sermon in which he alleged

a sermon in which he aneged that: such an assassination would not have taken place during General Franco's rule and praised the tough security

police as " guardians of peace". After the funeral, demonstra-

tors marched to the offices of the provincial government,

where officials acceded to their angry demands to display the Spanish and Navarra flags. The killing not only deepened

the split between centralists and home-rulers; it isolated further the extreme left wing of Basque nationalism, includ-

ing minority parties that openly support the ETA.

In a statement the Basque Socialist Party called the kill-

ing not only a crime but a political mistake "which might

induce the Navarra people to

decide against the incorpora-tion of that area into the Basque

The French Ministry of Jus-tice denied today that Herr Klaus Croissant, the lawyer for

the Baader-Meinhof group,

extradited to West Germany on November 16, had been

assaulted by warders just before leaving the Santé prison in

One of his three French

counsel, Mme Schmidlin, who

had just returned from seeing

him in Stammbeim prison, Stuttgart, told a congress of the

Syndicat de la Magistrature in Rennes that he had been beaten

and given an anaesthetic be-

cause he protested at being

extradited before his appeal

Mme Schmidlin had managed

to let him know during his transfer back to his cell that

his lawyers were outside the prison, and that if attempts

were made to extradite him that

same evening, he should resist

and call for the prison director.

"He struggled against the war-ders", she said, "and was

thrown to the ground, and his

arms were pinioned. He said the appeal was ready in his

cell, and he was allowed to fetch it and hand it over to

the deputy governor. But when

had been heard.

Paris, Nov 28

A military chaplain attached

Madrid.

tension there between

divided

issue

Gierek that help from the Church is essential to his Government. Took place on October 29. This was the first meeting between the cardinal and a leader of the

much importance is attached both for Polish-Italian relations and because of the unprecedented call he will make on the Pope.

He was met at the airport by

The official communique stated that they had exchanged the Roman Catholic Church the points of view on the most important problems of the work. In the meantime, the nation and the church which have capital importance for the work.

We was made a series more tangible results of the years.

> formally recognized as such. The crucial meeting at which ir Gierek and Cardinal

The visit is also one of the Communist Party for seven

Wyszynski, have made a series unity of the Poles in the work three million out of 35 milkon of agreements with the Polish of the construction of prosperity aut.orities, the latest in 1971.

While each has proved increasingly favourable to the Church's position, the Vatican Shortly afterwards, Mr Gerek Catholic. It is estimated that 70 out of 100 young made that 70 out of 100 young berofe seminarists has risen controlled to the Church's position, the Vatican Shortly afterwards, Mr Gerek from 4,088 in 1971 to 4,500 in 1976. been to the Vatican.

Most of the past three before relations with Poland attended the sixtleth anniver bed decades have been marked by can be regarded as normal, and sary of the Russian revolution the and had the opportunity of

ceived by the Pope on November

The cardinal naturally would have wanted to give a complete account at the Vatican of his dealings with the Polish authorities well in advance of Mr Gierek's arrival.

Unlike the situation in the rest of East Europe, the Church in Poland is strong. Thirty-three million out of 35 million

Because of this strength and the identification of Catho-licism with the country's reporting on his religious policy nationhood the Catholic Church to the Russians. The Polish in Poland has not been reduced bishops came to Rome for in the way other Catholics have Mr Gierek and Cardinal to the Russians. The Polish in Poland has not been reduced Wyszynski discussed the possibilities of a degree of coopertation in the national interest to the Vatican and were reworld. Leading article, page 15

Herr Kohl strengthens his position

the Chancellorship in the 1980

elections.

A meeting of 225 CDU and much wider spectrum of the CSU leaders thus put an end, at least for the time being to who arouses as much dislike as

Two men.

The argument had developed inadvertently out of mounting criticism of Herr Kohl's leadership, which is regarded by some as weak, hesitant and colourless.

Several leading Opposition Herr Strauss both in the elec-

colourless. Several leading Opposition manu, Bundestag leader of the CSU, declared that his chief

claim for the national leadership when the time comes.

reconcile different interests in

what it called a superfluous, he does admiration.

Simple adjectives such as pute between supporters of the good and honest are frequently applied to Herr Kohl,

The argument had developed and many believe he would be is a tough-talking right winger.

members found it necessary to torate generally and among embpasize that his position and CDU-CSU voters. future candidacy for the Chan-cellorship were undisputed. At who was extremely reluctant to this point, Herr Fritz Zimmer-accept Herr Kohl as Opposition leader, is seen to be in train-ing for a future attempt to

was just as strong a potential displace him. He has been tra-candidate as Herr Kohl. velling a good deal on official The issue reached a climax missions to improve, party last week when Herr Strauss members say, his not always aumounced that he would run flattering image abroad and this year for the post of Prime Minister of Bavaria. This is seen as a strategically and the control of the control seem as a strategically powerful ever, during his recent visit to position from which to lay a Chile when expressions of sympathetic understanding for General Pinocher's regime,

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, Nov 28
Herr Helmut Kohl, the Bavaria. "They will not be rid Chilean Christian Democratic Opposition leader, was given his party's full support today despite earlier suggestions that Herr Franz-Josef Strauss, the Bavarian Christian Social Herr Strauss, he is probably Union leader, would make a better Opposition candidate for the Chancellorship in the 1980

he has made it clear he is not criticism at home and from Chilean Christian Democrats.

With fears of yet another setting the back in the 1980 elections, there are also plans for the CSU to move out of its traditional boundaries of Bavaria and form alliances with small much stronger than he seems. Of a moderate outlook, he can the Chancellorship in the 1980

The amount of the chilean Christian Democrats.

With fears of yet another setting there are also plans for the CSU to move out of its traditional boundaries of Bavaria and form alliances with small moderate groups which have broken away from the Social Democrats in various places.

The aim is to "mop up" The aim is to "mop up"
pools of votes which could

make all the difference, given

the narrow margin between the two big parties. like Herr Strauss and is seen as a possible alternative for the right wing if Herr Strauss should prove too divisive a figure to be a serious candidate. Like Herr Strauss, he has

studiously avoided ruling out his becoming a candidate.

The dispute is damaging the image of the Opposition just as the parties are preparing for a batch of Land elections during the coming year. Herr Kohl said in a radio interview at the weekend that quarrelling was the most stupid thing we could do at the moment."

The CDU is hoping in particbuild up his reputation nere.

He ran into trouble, however, during his recent visit to
ever, during his recent visit to
ruled there for many years,
and fear losing Lower Saxony,
and fear losing Lower Saxony,
The party's another big Land. The party's performance during the next 12 months should decide, as Although Herr, Strauss says which he saw as a victim of an 12 months should decide, as he is not climbing on the international campaign of lies much as anything, who will "candidates' merry go round", and slander, earned him bitter lead it in the 1980 elections.

war. Its Carlist forces fought fiercely on the side of General Franco, although the Carlist movement later became and enemy of the Franco regime. Both the National Alliance, headed by Señor Manuel Fraga Islam and the Control Person and the Control Per

Students at about half of West student unions

policy on the issue of Basque annexation of Navarra the only Basque province where

law is considerably more restrictive than the conditions prevailing in many places at students who cannot bring him-

It enables the academic authorities to suspend troublesome students, a power which they rear could be abused. It has been used by two conservative Linder to abolish the local equivalent of student unions and ensure that professors have a decisive voice on teaching, research and appointments, whereas in some places, such as Bremen, students and non- about six teaching staff had equal weight, the past

on as usual. The National Union of Students, which called the boycott, claimed that 120 of the 159 universities and colleges had loined in and another 20 were planning to do so later. Support in these places was running at about 80 per cent, a spokesman said. The conservative Christian Democratic Students' Associaclaimed that the boycott

l had failed. A spokesman for the West. German Rectors' Conference said that the boycott was uninstified and the students' critirisms were exaggerated. He Social Democratic Hamburg, added, however, that the conference, on which all universities decidedly more easy going.

Paris denies Croissant jail beating

no means only of the more poli-

tically committed—against what they regard as increasing

threats to their independence

from the Government Yesterday the Union Syndi-

calc de la Magistrature, the

more moderate of the two judges unions in France,

warned the Government at its

Rennes congress not to under-mine the status of the judiciary.

union president and a member

of the Cour de Cassation, the

highest court of appeal in

France, said afterwards:

which ensures our complete independence and protects us

from any suspicion of Govern-

ment influence. Irremovability

of judges is not sufficient. We

want a hody set up which will ensure this independence."

_ M. Braunschweig said the

Government had put the judi-

ciary in a difficult position in rice recent cases: the tele-

phone tapping at the offices of

he realized this would be of cal weekly: the murder, still appointed to certain posts in no avail, he again kicked up a unsolved, of M Jean de Brog-

What we want is a statute

M Andre Braunschweig, the

row, and was smothered with lie, a former minister; and the

tear gas. He still bears traces expulsion from France of Mr of the blows he received then." Abu Daoud, the Palestinian The extradition of Herr leader wanted by West Ger-

Croissant has brought once many for questioning about again to the open the disquiet the Olympic Games massacre of many French judges—and by in 1972.

From Our Own Correspondent and colleges are represented, Bonn, Nov 23 and copposed the dissolution of

German universities and colleges today began a two-week blow to the old tradition in boycott of lectures to protest at a federal law limiting the number of years they may students could take as long as they wished, or could afford, to study. study. to study and move freely from
The students assert that the one university to another to The ewiger Student (eternal

> self to stop studying and face the world, was once a common feature at German universities. Restrictions on intake in many places in recent years have discouraged the wandering habit. Now students will be given only four years to com-plete their studies unless they can show good reasons why they should take longer. This compares with an average of about six and a half years in

teaching staff had equal weight

Students picketed lecture
rooms in various places and
minor disturbances were
minor disturbances were
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cally about 200,000—but
students feel they will be chanthe universities without any time to broaden their studies or even to have any life of their

> The law, passed by the Federal Parliament last year, is a framework legislation which the 11 Land governments are in the process of applying in their territories. Inevitably the interpretation of the law depends on the political views of the Land governments. The Conservative southern Länder of Bayaria and Baden-Württemberg have used it to suppress student bodies while those in

> > M Braunschweig felt it was

unfortunate that the Govern-

ment had not respected the

judicial system over the recent

extradition case involving Herr

Klaus Croissant, the Baader-Meinhof defence lawyer. "It

could have waited a few days

for the Conreil d'Etat to give

a ruling on the extradition ver-

counsel for Herr Croissant did

not suspend the extradinon

made by M Alain Peyrefitte.

the Minister of Justice, in an article in Le Monde on Friday. But M Braunschweig claimed

that the Government showed

disrespect towards the judici-

ary by acting before the Con-seil d'Etat could take a deci-

control exercised over a

judge's career was a very sub-

tle means of interference. "By

this means, men on whom the

M Braunschweig said the

He agreed that the appeal by

the time being, its proposal for a new system of support for the beef market of the kind that has been allowed hitherto only in Britain.

The purpose of the Commis-

sion's proposals is to allow EEC consumers to benefit from lower shop prices when beef is in abundant supply. thus boosting consumption, and to restrict automatic support buying and the accumulation of large beef stockpiles throughour the Community. in spite of strong support

from European consumer groups, Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, the Commissioner for Agriculture, is understood to have come to the conclusion that there is little point in trying to secure agreement for the proposed reform at the next farm-price fixing session, as originally intended.

There was an immediately

hostile response to the reform proposals from the French when they were first amounced and they have run into further difficulties since then in the special committee on agriculture. The tough French attitude is thought to be dictated in part by the gen-eral election due in March. At present, in all EEC countries except Britain, intervention agencies automatically buy up beef for cold storage when market prices fall below 90 per cent of a target level. Under the reform proposed by the Commission, intervention would occur at a lower level, with producers' returns being

Nine end dispute over aid to poorest nations

From Our Own Correspondent

maintained by direct cash sub-sidies or "deficiency pay-ments" of the British type.

Brussels, Nov 28 The EEC agreed today to contribute \$385m (about £213m) to the \$1,000m emergency aid which industrialized countrees pledged to provide to the world's poorest nations at the North-South dialogue in Paris in June.

Agreement was reached with difficulty because of a dispute among the Nine over the conditions to be attached to the aid before it is transferred to the International Development Associanon. Under a compromise, the

money will go to an agreed list of 36 communes with a per capita income of \$250 or less, and no more than 50 per cent can go to any one continent or 20 per cent to any one country. The second condition answers French fear s taht most of the aid would be given to Asia, and particularly India, instead of former French coloneis in Africa.

OVERSEAS

Professor's evidence on causes of Biko death From Nicholas Ashford

Pretoria, Nov 28 The eleventh day of the in-quest on Steve Biko, the South African Black Consciousness leader, dwelt largely on detailed medical evidence con-

cerning the exact cause of his

death.

In his second day of evidence, Professor Neville Proctor, one of South Africa's most respected and experienced neuropathologists, said there could be no doubt that Mr Biko's death while in police custody was caused by head injury, although he might have actually died of the compli-cations that arose from this. So far as he was aware, on the evidence placed before him, these complications would not have set in had head in-

complications he named were uraemia, kidney failure and swelling of the brain (edema). Under cross-examination by Mr P. R. Van Rooyen, counse for the police, Professor Proctor, who is head of the depart ment of pathology at the University of the Witwatersrand, said he had come to the conclusion after examining Mr Biko's brain that more tran one application of force had caused the head injury. He agreed he could not be 100 per cent certain about this, how-

jury not occurred. Among the

ever.
"I had it clear in my mind that more than one application of force was involved, but I reached no definite conclusion", he said. This was why he had not mentioned this matter in a report he submitted to a group of doctors, including the chief state pathologist, on

Professor Proctor added that the group of doctors discussing the post-morrem examination
on Mr Biko decided to leave
the question open whether one
or more blows were involved.
This was why it was decided to write in the post-morrem report that death was due to head injury and not to a head injury or head injuries.

During his cross-examination Professor Proctor was asked by Mr Van Rooyen whether a member of the medical team retained by the Biko family had gone overseas to "glean information" on the mechanics of contra coup head injuries of the kind described in the post-mortem report on Mr Biko's death. He replied that he did

France kills

At the replied that he did not know why this person had gont overseas "but he certainly gained information from people more experienced than any of us in this country".

At this point Mr Sydney Kentridge, counsel for the subject of the overseas journey had beth mentioned by him only in "conflidential consultations and private telephone calls". He would be interested to know the source of Mr Van Rooyen's information. "No doubt he has available an extensive network which can give him this information", he added. mation", he added.

Mr Van Rooyen siad he did not wish to draw any "sinis-ter" conclusions from the overseas trip. The matter was not taken any further.

Later during today's hearing
Dr Andries van Zyl, the Pro-

toria district surgeon who examined Mr Biko on September 12, the day he died, told the inquest that he was not aware that Mr Biko had shown signs of brain damage when examined in Port Elizabeth Mr Biko was taken from Port Elizabeth to Pretoria by raod some 14 hours before he

Under cross-examination by Mr Kentridge, Dr van Ayl said Mr Biko was in a "bad condi-tion" when he saw him in Pretoria prison hospital. No one had told him that Mr Biko was in need of urgent care. The only treatment he had ordered was a drip and vitamin injec-



A museum director admires the tusks of a mammoth found during drainage work on a collective farm near Kirov in the Soviet Union.

Lawyers' warning on Soviet trials

Nov 28.-Western and Mr Anatoly Shcharansky, lwyers acting for prominent Soviet dissidents said in Rome today that they would hold parallel trials in London and New York if they were barred from defending their jailed clients in Moscow.

They were giving evidence on the last day of the Second International Sakharov Hear-ings, a Copenhagen-based committee named after Dr Andrei Sakharov, the Soviet Nobel prize winner, to monitor human rights in East Europe.

"If I am not allowed to go to Moscow I will prove at a public trial in London that my client is innocent". Mr John Macdonald, defending Mr Yuri Orlov, told the hearings. Mr Orlov, arrested in Moscow last February, was the founder of the unofficial Soviet committee set up in 1976 to watch compli-ance with the 1975 Helsinki document on human rights.

Lawyers acting for two other members of the Helsinki warch der Serge group, Mr Alexander Ginzburg dissident.

the Jewish mathematician, told the hearings they had been refused visas to go to Moscow to work on the defence.

Mr Gregory Craig, one of the American lawyers acting for Mr Ginzburg, said that a public trial was planned in New York if the Soviet authorities refused representation in Moscow.

M Daniel Jacobi, a French lawyer, said that his client, Mr Shcharansky, was facing charges of treason under article 64 of the Soviet penal code which carries a possible death sen-"We have twice been refused

a visa and have learnt that our clinet has only a lawyer if he pleads guilty," M Jacobi said. Mr Burton Hall, a lawyer from New York, said that he was expelled from the Soviet Union last month when he tried in Moscow to establish contact with the mother of Mr Alexander Sergeenko, another jailed

Orlov case had made world opinion aware of the fact that the Soviet authorities did not even respect their awa

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He expected that Mr Orlov would be released in a few weeks under the provisions of the recent amnesty. "This is the price the Soviet

Government is going to have to pay if it wishes detente to continue." Mr Macdonald added a quote from Senator Robert Dole, of the United States: "If the Soviet Union is not prepared to respect basic human rights. let them eat their own wheat." The wives of Mr Orlov and Mr Ginzburg smuggled taped pleas for Western support to the closing session of the Rome

hearings.

Mrs Ginzburg said that she feared for her husband's life because he was suffering from a gastric ulcer and tuberculosis at the time o this arrest last February.—Reuter and AP.

Mission to heal rift in Arab world

By Our Foreign Staff

Kuwait and Saudi Arabia are embarking on a joint mission to prevent a deterioration of relations among the Arab coun-tries, which are bitterly divided over President Sadat's overtures to Israel.

Announcing this vesterday, Shaikh Sabah al-Ahmad, Foreign Minister of Kuwait, did not say when the mission would begin, but he hoped its representations would bear fruit. He said Kuwait had been invited to the anti-Sadat meeting in Tripoli this week but had not yet decided whether to attend.

Arab summit of the countries opposed to President Sadat's peace efforts, to be told in Baghdad next week, the Iraqi

news agency reported.

The agency said the proopsed talks would include representatives of Algeria, Libya, South Yemen, the Palestine Liberation Organization and the Rejection

A Lebanese newspaper repor-ted yesterday that Iraq had decided to attend the Tripoli meeting this week with leaders of Syria, Algeria, South Yemen, the PLO and Libya. Egypt and Israel appear

be the only two countries likely to attend the meeting in Cairo next Saturday called by President Sadat to prepare for a contact between the Egyptian and Israeli permanent representatives. A senior Foreign Ministry source in Cairo described

Saturday5s meeting as a "mini-Geneva" at the level of experts rather than ministers. It would be "informal" and not bound by procedures of the Geneva conference "otherwise it would take months to prepare it ". "The agenda will be discussed and prepared by the participants", the source said. He drew attention to the fact that the "imni-Geneva" had been enlarged to include the PLO

and Lebanon. Asked whether Egypt had invited Palestinians on the West Bank of the River Jordan and in the Gaza strip, he said: "No, the invitation for the con-

ference was sent only to the PLO. It is their problem to sort out who, if any, will attend." Jordan announced last night that it could attend Saturday's meeting only if the talks were attended by all the parties to the Middle East conflict.

Similarly, Jordan would attend the Tripoli meeting only if all the Arab states took prat. Earlier King Husain had praised the "great courage" of President Sadat and said Egypt's initiatives had broken down barriers that hindered a

received an invitation from Cairo for Saturday's meeting, but said no decision had been made on Beirut's reply. Government sources said it was virtually certain Lebanon would not attend and would

also avoid the Tripoli meeting.
"When the Arabs disagree, we stand to the side", a government source said. " We want to stay neutral in this."

President Carter and Mr.

Vance, the American Secretary of State, yesterday discussed the latest Middle East peace moves. Mr Jody Powell, the White House press secretary, said Mr Carter feels the United States can move toward it gozls of peace in the Middle East "most appropriately by most appropriately by mainraining a lower profile and working quietly behind the

the difficulties.".
"If the momentum is kept going, it may not be important whether the Geneva conference gets under way before January", Mr Powell said. ary", Mr Powell said. In Damascus, President Assid said differences between Syria and Egypt did not mean ties between them had been totally ruptured. Answering a question, he said "divorce" was the wrong word to use in the

scenes to accentuate the posi-tive developments and minimize

"We have different points of dent Sadat to prepare for a Geneva peace conference.

Egypt's invitation to Israel was handed by its permanent representative to the United unify ranks and prevent a Nations in New York, Dr Ismat Abdel-Meguid, to Israel's permanent depresentative, Mr. Fued Butros, the Leban permanent depresentative, Mr.

Guerrilla camp bombed again on second day

"I rolled and rolled across the ground and hid under a bush and then a bomb dropped on the spot where I had just been. I rolled again and fell into a pit and broke my arm. I had to leave my gun.

I had to leave my gun.

Now people were running in all directions and helicopters were firing at random and the

iets were moving up and down. The attack seemed to start on our headquarters and on Base No 2 simultaneously. We walked and walked. The last two iers that day came about 6 o'clock." By now a group of about 240 Zimbabweans, many of them wounded had gathered rogether.

They bedded down in the bush and at 4 o'clock they started walking again. Many had to be carried. They reached Chimoio about 8 o'clock that evening. No about 8 o'clock mar evening, ivo one remembers clearly how many jets and helicopters took part in the attack. Several of the men talked of seven heli-

After the first bombing, Rhodesian troops started landing by parachute and from helicopters. Survivors said they began shooting all over the place and fired at children who had been at their classes when the attack began. The camp clinic was shot up and few of

extremely fierce, with some black Rhodesians using panga-like weapons, chopping out at the Zimbabweans. On the second day, Thursday, the bombers returned at 5.45 am and helicopters were again seen moving around the area several times. At one point around midday at least seven

plumes of smoke could be seen

As the injured were rounded

from Chimoio.

up on the edge of the town they were picked up by Chimoio's small, neat ambulances and taken to the local hospital. The director of the hospital the patients got away. For was away in Maputo, so the periods the fighting was clinic director, Dr Danuela

For her it was not a new experience. Last year she had helped to tend the victims of the Nyazonia attack when about 700 refugees were killed.

In her hospital the injured were lying everywhere, in the emergency casualty room—not much bigger than a large sitring room—a woman was face down on a couch while a bollet was extracted from her but-tocks. Another woman, builet wounds in the chest, lay on the floor, still on the stretcher made of branches of a tree, on which she bad been carried through the bush. © 1977 Gemini News Service

Mr Karamanlis names his new Cabinet

whose New Democracy won a pose.
majority of parliamentary seats Ear in the Greek elections on November 20, set up his new Cabinet today. The ministers took the oath of office in the presence of President Tsatsos

mis evening.
The most important appointment was that of Mr Constantine Papaconstantinou, one of Mr Karamanlis's most trusted collaborators and former President of Parliament, to the hitherto vacant post of Deputy Prime Minister. It is a move that seems to settle, for the time being at least, the problem of party succession.

Another significant move is the appointment of Mr George Kondoylorgis as Minister in

government as leader of the majority party. This was the seventh government to be formed by Mr Karamanlis. He has completed

a total of 12 years as Prime Minister after winning a parliamentary majority in five general elections. He has been in politics for 43 years.

While the new Government was being formed the parliamentary group of the Democratic Centre Union, which lost its position as the main Opposition party, accepted the resignation of Mr George Mayros charge of the negotiations with from the party leadership and the EEC in conjunction with proclaimed him honorary Mr Panavoris Papaligouras, chairman.

From Our Own Correspondent who was moved from the Athens, Nov 28

Mr Constantine Karamanlis Foreign Ministry for this purtomorrow to choose a successor. There are two candidates
Earlier Mr Karamanlis sub- so far: Mr John Pesmazoglou, mitted his government's resignation to President Tsatsos who asked him to form a new minister who was jailed during the dictatorship.

The new Cabinet is: Prime Minister: Constanting Kara-Manus.

Ospety Premier: Constantine
Papaconstantingu.
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Public Works: Nikes Zartinidis, Shipping: Emmanuel Kreiloriannis Amiculture: Alamondo: Talladouros Laboars, Constantina L

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George Kondoylorgis.
There are 21 under-secretaries.

Former Bhutto minister's sentence quashed

From Our Correspondent : Islamabad, Nov 28

The Sind High Court is Karachi today set aside the con-viction of Mairaj. Mohammad Khan, a former federal Minister of State, who was sentenced by a special tribunal to four years imprisonment for making an objectionable speech in january, 1975.

Mr Mairaj, who used to be one of two closest political aides of Mr Bhutto, was sent for trial by the former Prime Minister after he had opposed some of his political moves and foreign politices.

The High Cours accepted Mr Mairay's appeal for quashing the special eribunity vernice and ruled that there: had been a miscarriage of Jus-

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Ethiopia

for attack

Nairobi, Nov 28.—After some of the heaviest fighting in the five-month war between Ethiopia and Somelia, the

Ethiopia and Somalia, the mountain citadel of Harer was

reported today to be calm and firmly under Ethiopian control.

Diplomatic sources in Addis Ababa said there were indica-tions that an all-out Ethiopian

counter-offensive against the Somali forces in Ethiopia's Ogađen region was imminent. Meanwhile, Somalia opened diplomatic drive on two

ronts in n apparent effort to

win political, economic and

military support in the wake of its decision to expel the Soviet military advisers two weeks ago.

Diplomats in Addis Abada said they were able to contact

t hecity to Harer several times during the weekend and the city was reported to be quiet. They said the level of fighting

at Harer

poised

Japanese Premier appoints new Cabinet in move to avert erisis over huge trade surplus

apanese Prime Minister, con-conted by economic difficulties and the country's deteriorating find the sount ys descent trad-ficialisms with its western trad-ing partners, dismissed his Cabinet this morning and impediately inducted a team impediately inducted a team of economic experts into his new Council of Ministers.

After being sworn in at the imperial palace this afternoon, the new Cabinet met for the first time tonight, ostensibly to park out additional means of early one larger and additional means of

reducing Japan's massive and embarrassing trade surplus this year. The rising value of the yen is threatening to plunge, the economy, dominated by an increasingly uncompetitive export industry, into a deeper recession.

There is also growing apprehension that the United States and Europe might soon introduce protective measures to contain Japanese exports. Several respected economists, businessmen and politicians, in-cluding the Prime Minister, have declared publicly that Japan is now entering a critical phase of economic tension, reminiscent of the era preceding the Second World War.

Prominent newspapers have gone so far as to suggest that "idle nations", such as the United States, Britain and other West European coun-tries, singht eventually encircle

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Takeo Fukuda, the While Japan's growing appre-less Prime Minister, con-d by economic difficulties to an immediate or dramatic crisis, there can be little doubt that Mr Fukuda's new Cabinet-will have to take some decisive steps within the next few weeks.

President Carter's special trade representative, Mr Robert Strauss, is expected to arrive in Tokyo next month to discuss Japan's trade surplus. During the past month American officials cials, visiting politicians and businessmen have warned Japan that demands for protectionism might grow out of hand unless lapan takes drastic steps to import more manufactured

Mr Fukuda retained only two members of the previous Cabinet in his new Council of Munisters. Two economic experts were given key posts.

Mr Kiichi Miyazawa, a bureaucrat turned politician, a former Minister of International Trade and Industry and a former Foreign Minister, takes over the Economic Planning

Nobuhiko Ushiba, a career diplomat and former Ambassador to the United States, assumes the newly created post of State Minister for External Economic Affairs. One of the Prime Minister's closest confidentes. Mr Sunao Sunoda, aged 65, replaces Mr

Japan with an economic Echiro Hatoyama as Foreign

Mr Toshio Komoto, a former businessman, has been handed the portfolio for International Irade and Industry and Mr Tassuo Mu ayama, a former bureaucrat from the Finance Ministry, takes over as Japan's new Minister for Finance:

Mr Fukuda is reported to have told the Cabiner tonight that the etonomy, but by a slow-down in domestic demand and a decline in medium-sized exports, holds out little room for optimism. He cited the main problems as trade relations with the United States, growing un-

propiems as trate retations with the United States, growing un-employment, and a continuing slump in the economy.

Prices on the Tokyo stock exchange shot upwards today. However, many independent economists described the Prime Minister's move as a cosmetic solution to Japan's internal and expernal trade problems. West-ern diplomars were also scepti-cal whether new faces in the trading partners with hope.



Dispute over cyclone disaster

As casualties in the Andhra Pradesh cyclone disaster rise to

Extra security precautions

began today on ,Indian rail-

places of strategic import-

ance" after a decision by the

Government to combat sus-

Three serious incidents have

Wednesday when the Ahmeda-bad-Delhi mail express tram was derailed at Rewari after fishplates had been removed from the track. A still unex-

From Richard Wigg

Delhi, Nov 28

pected sabotage.

about 20,000, the political con-troversy between the Janata Party and the Congress Party The Andhra Pradesh Govern-

ment, run by the Congress Party, says that it has done its best in the circumstances while the Janata Party central gov-ernment has said that the state Government has "lost the confidence of the people". Mr Karan Singh, the former Health

ways, power stations, telecom- the tapes of talks recorded that only vigilance on the part munication installations and during the 19 months of the of the citizens to thwart the

Mr Charan Singh, the Home

Minister, announced after a Cabinet meeting last night the

setting up of a special central investigating team to inquire

Enthed by John Heathers

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India tightens up security to fight sabotage

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station at Harduaganj, Uttar sabotage. The only successful Marg, a fanatical sect which Pradesh. A fire on Friday one was at Rewari when the has been agitating for the which was clearly intentional engine and 10 coaches over-release of its leader from a damaged a unit of All-India turned.

Radio in Delhi, destroying all Mr Singh said in a statement in the accident.

attempts could strengthen the Government's hand "without any risk of creating a police

state". He also cautioned against undue alarm.

to the polls in March to elect the new state Government. The Congress Party's credibility was damaged today when Mr M. V. Krishna Rao, the Andhra Pradesh Education Minister, submitted his resigna-tion from the Cabinet on the ground that he could serve the

Meanwhile Delhi, in consulta

tion with the state Government, has entrusted the Army with the task of rehabilitation. Up to two million people have been made homeless. The Army Engineer Corps is to build thousands of houses for the

Railwaymen are

gainst undue alarm. complaint as Mr Desai, the Mr George Fernandes, the Prime Minister, decided

Minister of Industry, in a against restoring to them a weekend speech accused "elite bonus which had been stopped

elements of resisting change during the emergency and and trying to embarrass the which was promised them by Janata Government by creating Mr Madhu Dandavate, the economic and public order Minister of Railways. A top problems, and problems of the control of the

tenned with the Janata Govern-ment because the end of Mrs Indira Gandhi's emergency has

not brought them the benefits they expected. Pay is the chief

The diplomats said the out-come of the battle for Harer was far from certain. Although the level of fighting has decreased, it was unclear if the Somali drive had been blunted. "There does not seem to be a significant danger that the city will fall", one Western diplomat said.

lated walls of the town or

whether fifth-column sympathi-zers had started the fighting from within, Harer has a large community of ethnic Somalis.

Foreign medical personnel stationed in Harer, mainly Russians and Cubans, were evacu-ated, but this seemed to represent a precautionary measure rather than a fear of imminent danger, the sources added. However, in Mogadishu a Somali guerrilla leader today claimed victory in the battle

for Harer.

Mr Abdullabi Hassan

Mohamed, the secretary-general
of the Western Somalia Liberation Front (WSLF), told reporters: "The WSLF has absolute control of Harer and the sur-

rounding area."

There has been no official communique from the Western Somali Liberation Front be-cause diplomatic sources in Mogadishu believe there were still pockets of resistance still pockets of resistance around the town where defen-sive lines were up to six miles deep.—UPI. Reuter and Agence

Bomb scene police manhandled

From Our Correspondent

Ankara, Nov 28
The Ankara flat of Professo. Nuri Saryal, Rector of the Mid-dle East Technical University, was bombed today. The explo-sion broke windows but no one was injured. Right-wing militants were thought to be

The attack took The attack took place despite the presence of half a dozen policemen round the building. Neighbours said they saw several young men char-ting with the officers immediately after the bombing. They shouted for them to be held, but the youths jumped into a car and drove away.

It was the eighth bomb attack in two months against the university staff and the second against Mr Saryal. Mr Saryal later said that irate witnesses manhandled the

From Patrick Brogan

A new quarterly magazine has been launched by the Georgenown University Centre for Strategic and International

Studies. It is called the Wash-

ington Review and its editors

boldly proclaim that it will become the main forum for

the discussion of foreign policy

the discussion of foreign policy in the United States.

This is an ambitious undertaking. The review is challenging Foreign Affairs, the weighty quarterly put out by the Council on Foreign Relations in New York, and the trendy Foreign Policy published by the Carnegie Endowment here. It will also contend with the publications of other think tanks and university

think tanks and university centres for the study of

It is all part of the expansion of the CSIS as an institu-

tion, which in turn is a sign of the general ferment in think tanks generally. Every time there is a change of adminis-tration, members and former

members of the staffs of such bodies as the Brookings Insti-

tution, the Rand Corporation and the Carnegie Endowment,

not to mention such groups as the Trilateral Commission and tht Council on Foreign Affairs, are pulled into the new Government.

foreign policy.

Washington, Nov 28

Debrett's stumbles in quest for Carter roots

From Michael Leapman New York, Nov 28

Debrett's Peerage and Baron-etage, once the most dignified of British institutions, has be-come involved in a controversy bere which, while basically foolish, could harm its long-established reputation. It de-rives from the purchase last year of the guide to the aristo-cracy by a group led by an American, Mr Harold Brooks-Baker, and its subsequent attempt to expand its operations in the United States.

The firm has entered the fashionable field of persual genealogy, tracing people's roots as far back as they can be established. To launch its operation here with a suitable fanfare, Debrett's decided to investigate the genealogy of the nation's top person, President

In the summer the firm an-nounced that the President's

A new magazine has joined the ranks of publications

Ferment in academic think tanks

names will suddenly become familiar next time there is a

change of administration and

the process is repeated.

The CSIS caught one of the falling stars of the Nixon-Ford

years, Dr Henry Kissinger, who chose Georgetown University

as his base of operations upon leaving office. The American Enterprise Institution, which is equally ambitious, had to make do with former President Ford.

Dr Kissinger contributes a long interview to the first issue of the Washington Review on the theme of the

Review on the theme of the lessons to be learned from the European balance of power over the past 150 years. The magazine's editor, Mr Michael Ledeen, believes that busy people who might never find the time (or inclination) to

plough through a dozen pages of Dr Kissinger's dense prose will be ready to read an inter-

view.

The calculation is probably

correct. The former Secretary of State has a lot of interesting

things to say and he marshals his thoughts clearly—and, of

course, he knows what he is talking about when he is on the subject of Metternich or the Bismarck reich.

It will be some time before the Washington Review estab-lishes itself. It wants to pro-

vide an up-to-date analysis of events and to report on coun-

They are replaced by those whose jobs have suddenly ignored by the press until a come to an end and who crisis blows up. There is there-frefer academic life to inform a piece by Professor Berdustry—and by a new crop of bright young people whose article on Cuba.

devoted to discussion of American foreign policy

Dr William Kelso of the Virginia Research Ceitre for Archaeology.
It was this second announce

ment which caused trouble. Dr Kelso declared that it was not true. He said that only the general area of the plantation had been located end there was no immediate plan to start digging. The press announcement was, he added, "slightly mis-leading". Debrett's now admits as much

It says that although the rough boundaries of the plantation have been established, one or nave been established, one or two of its dimensions are in doubt. More important, the site of the farmhouse, where ex-cavaton would be carried out, has not been found yet. The announcement of the imminent start of digging was he prema-ture.

ant, the mistake was reported at some length in the New York

The CSIS, like the efficient think tank it is, does much more than produce occasional articles and reviews and teach the elements of foreign affairs to Georgetown University's graduate students. It has an energy project which was well ahead of the field when the energy crisis broke upon the

energy crisis broke upon the world, and it is the forum for Dr Ray Cline's World Power

Dr Cline is a former assist-ant director of the Central

Intelligence Agency and he now devotes himself to applying statistical, military and economic criteria to weigh up the

relative strengths of nations and

Affairs has lost its cutting edge

because its every issue achieves the same standards of duli and respectable conformity. Some-thing of the same sort might be

said about the Brookings Insti-tution, leaving an opening for

groups of nations.

first American ancestor was one the alleged bombers. Mr Durmus Yalcin, the Governor of Ankara, said this evening that the five police and one night watchman posted round the rector's house were taken off duty pending an administrative investigation into their conduct. Tirst American ancestor was one thing the resident's at some length in the New York Times. There is always the risk of this kind of embarrassmonth, coinciding with the situation is acquired by someone who tries to inject a bit of vigorous enterprise into it. Some members of the genealogical establishment frown on the vigorous enterprise into it. Some members of the genealogical establishment frown on the vigorous enterprise into it. The vigorous enter kill quota

member said today.

Mr Jean-Paul Forton-Gouin, who represented Panama at last June's IWC annual meeting in Canberra, told a news conference that the commisscientific committee, which met in Sydney last week, had recommended the quota should be increased to

The 16-nation preserve stocks.

Union—supported by Iceland—called for a review of the cut under IWC rules and presented new information on the quota is to be considered at a full meeting of the IWC in Tokyo on December 6

Protests against the recommended increase have already been lodged by Australian eivnronmental and conservation groups. If the increase is endorsed in Tokyo is in

The CSIS thus covers the whole front, from highly technical analysis of strategic problems to chatty interviews in a magazine designed for easy The IWC announced an overall cut of 36 per cent in kull quotas for next year at its June meeting, reducing the total world kills of all types of whales by more than 10,000.

The biggest cut was for North Pacific sperm whales. Japan and the Soviet Union opposed the reduction, fearing their big whaling fleets would be forced to abandon operations in the region.—Reuter. tions in the region.-Reuter

was derailed at Kewari allow clauses of accidents. Infishplates had been removed. During the past formight economic and public order Minister of Railways. A top from the track. A still unexthere have been seven cases of problems. Plained accident put out of interference on the railway action a £1.9m thermal power track, apparently attempts at investigating whether Ananda month. Call to raise whale

the Soviet Union have persuaded scientists of the Inter-national Whaling Commission (IWC) to recommend a 745 per cent increase in the annual kill quota of North Pacific sperm whales, a commission

cut the North Pacific sperm whale quota from 7,200 to 763 for the coming season only five months ago in order to

He has invented a new technique, which he calls polytectonics: just as the various continents press against each other, producing earthquakes and volcanoes, so the groups of powers in the world press upon each other. It is a rather intimatering exercise. sperm while stocks at last week's meeting. The commit-tee's recommendation to raise the quota is to be considered



Three Serious into favore into recent cases of suspected Twenty people were killed last sabotage, so as to find out Weshesday when the Ahmeda-bad-Delhi mail express train features and eliminate possible

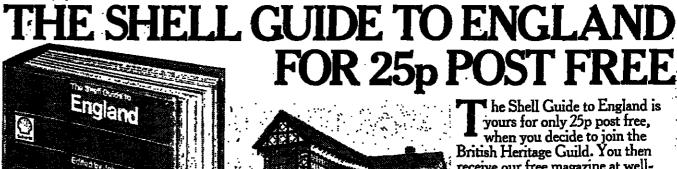
Sydney, Nov 28.—Japan and

But Japan and the Soviet

endorsed in Tokyo, it is expected to renew worldwide protests against the hunting and killing of whales.

The IWC announced an over-

This diversity may be the centre's greatest strength. Mr Ledeen claims that Foreign



Congleton, Cheshire. his magnificent 16th-century moated manor house is one of the finest specimens of blackand-white architecture in England. Now the property of the National Trust, it is open to the public and boasts immense fireplaces, oakbeamed ceilings, secret rooms and a



Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire. ne of the most charming villages in the country which owes its fame to its annual Horn Dance which is believed to have religious or ritualistic connections. Twelve people take part, a man on a hobby horse, a maid, a jester, a boy with a bow and arrow, six men wearing

on accordion and triangle.

reindeer antlers and two musicians

Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire.

esigned in 1786, this elegant bridge is embellished by the woman sculptor Ann Damer with keystone masks of Father Thames and the goddess Isis.

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Upper Volta votes for return to civilian rule

Onagadougou, Nov 28.— Upper Voltans have voted over-whelmingly in a referendum for a new constitution that should lead to a return to Gyilian government after almost Civilian government after almost 12 years of military rule.

With results in today from Polling stations, voting figures were: for, 1,691,167: against, 22,388. There were 14,446 Spoiled votes.

Under the plan to hand the country back to civilian rule, emislative and presidential elections should be held within six months of adoption of the new

Patrol boat sails to stop refugee ship

Darwin, Nov 28 .- An Australian Navy patrol boat sailed hulled trawler reported to and those responsible for seizted with orders to intercept today with orders to intercept a Vietnamese trawler heading a Vietnamese trawler heading and those responsible for seizted and th for Darwin with more more than 180 people on board.

An Indonesian port spokes-man said in Jakarta earlier today that the trawler, Song Be 12, left the Indonesian port of Surabaya last Tuesday with 175 refugees and seven cap-tered Vietnamese guards.

It had arrived in Surabaya on November 17, but Indonesia refused the refugees permis-sion to land, the Jakarto spokesman said. It took on food and fuel and set sail for

arrive in Darwin tomorrow. It was spotted in the Timor Sea earlier today by an Australian Air Force tracker aircraft about 250 miles north-east of

here. The vessel's imminent arrival presented the Government refugees arriving in Australia from South-east Asia.

incident with Vietnam. The arrival of an apparently endless stream of Vietnamese refugees has broken Darwin s

spirit of hospitality. At first they were welcome

Its 900 pages are profusely illustrated with nearly 350 many in colour. Writers like John Arlott, Phil Drabble and Maurice Wiggin

and were regarded as homewith a potential diplomatic less people prepared to run a headache to add to its growing gauntlet of hazards to reach concern over the increased the comparative safety of Darthe comparative safety of Darwin harbour. But now that more than 700 have arrived, It seemed certain that if the this spirit of camaraderie has Song Be 12 had been commandeered, Hanoi would demand

Psychiatrists are only too familiar with . Hospital were breaking the law. It should " (the new Royal Free Hospital) rather the deliberations of official committees of inquiry set up under the NHS to look into complaints about the running of psychiatric hospitals. Their reports are more or less predictably critical. After publication of a report the NHS authority finds a little extra money to paper over the cracks, a few heads roll, new committees are formed, and the recruitment of psychiatrists and nurses drops to a new low. Yet the recipients of these official in-quiries should not feel too sorry for themeives. They are conducted with a fair degree of objectivity and the committee usually includes a clinical psychiatrist. less fortunate are the victims of amateur-

ish surveys, also carried out in the name of NHS authorities. A recent example of this second kind of survey, made on behalf of the North East Thames Regional Health Authority, had in its sights Friern Hospital, a psychiatric hospital in North London. The monitoring team that was responsible for the Survey alleged that the psychiatrists at Friero were illegally detaining voluntary patients and forcibly injecting them with

The great hospitals, like Friern, still form the backbone of the psychiatric services of this country, but their presence is resented by many pressure groups, for resented by many pressure groups, for ey stand as bastions of the *encien*

They represent the thinking of the days before the 1959 Mental Realth Act. The Act promised that patients with mental illnesses would be treated informally in general hospitals, like patients with any other kind of illness. On leaving hospital they would receive community care from services that were to be developed by the local authorities.

The failure of this dream to come true has not prevented its repetition in the shape of the 1975 White Paper "Better Services for the Mentally III". The wide chasm that still exists between the visions of the health planners and what the country can afford is a source of continuing recrimination by the discerning public. The public reacts with criticism that is often bitter and is directed at the clinicians who are having to deliver the service. They in turn attempt to secure better facilities for their patients, only to find that the NHS purse is tightly shut. At times when the purse is slightly opened, psychiatric patients are in stiff compe-tition with other patients who elicit greater public concern and generosity— the victims of cancer, children with blood diseases or renal failure are examples that come to mind. No matter how good they are, the great mental hospitals cannot win favour.

It is against this background that the community health councils in the health districts served by Friern Hospital have closure. They reason that without Friern Hospital, health planners would willy-nilly have to provide psychiatric treatment in general hospitals and in the community. They have forcefully taken their argu-ments to the Camden and Islington Area Health Authority. It is an interesting coincidence that, in the middle of their campaign, the report of the North East Thames RHA monitoring team (marked "confidential") came to the attention of the AHA, and very shortly after one of its meetings its contents were leaked to

be noted that the monitoring team did not include a clinical psychiatrist. One of its members was a doctor, a specialist in community medicine, but he is not a chaician and is not familiar with the

basic problems of psychiatric practice. The monitoring team had concluded that some voluntary patients were un-willingly detained because they had observed that their day clothes had been "confiscated". One clinical illustration will suffice to demonstrate the fallacy of this argument. It concerns a patient who was treated not at Friern, but at the Royal Free Hospital where a similar clinical practice prevails if it is in the interest of the patient's safety.

The patient in question was a 40-yearold man who had become severely con-fused from an adverse reaction to a drug prescribed in another hospital. He was a voluntary patient and soon after his slipped unseen out of the hospital. He came upon a tramp, befriended him and the two wandered into the local public house. Much later that day, the patient returned drunk, with facial injuries resulting from a fight, and having been robbed of his money. The incident was most distressing to his family and friends, for he was normally a soher and respected member of the coma sober and respected member of the com-munity. He accepted the simple expedient of being dressed in his pyjamas and dressing gown and this deterred him suf-ficiently from leaving the hospital again. Yet he would have been granted his dis-charge if he had requested it. With treatment he recovered within six weeks. According to the NETHRHA monitoring

team, however, this patient should have been detained compulsorily under the Mental Health Act. This senseless advice would merely have added the needless stigma of "certification" to a man who had already had his unfair share of mis-Another accusation levelled against

Friern psychiatrists is that they allowed voluntary patients to be forcibly injected with drugs. This is a most serious accusa-tion, for such a step is justified only in emergencies when a patient becomes disturbed, violent or dangerous. Otherwise it is permitted only when a patient has been detained under the Mental Health Act, and even then is seldom taken. Psychiatrists as Friern Hospital know of no instances of forcible injections of voluntary patients, except in emergencies. In using their discretion in this matter they have the highest regard for the law. Set against this, is the monitoring team doctor's admission that he based his statement on suspicion. He is unable to pro-vide any supportive evidence—no names of witnesses or patients, let alone any clinical data. The ill-founded accusations of the monitoring team have caused distress to patients and their relatives, and have led to very sick psychiatric patients refusing admission to hospital.

Let us now turn to the psychiatric services that could be provided as alternatives to the traditional mental hospitals.

But I must first around to the read-time. But I must first appeal to the reader's indulgence and ask bim to consider another case-history. This time it is not a clanical case-history but the sage of a microcosm within the NHS.

It is the tale of the recent vicisitudes

saffered by the inadequate psychiatric services within the borough of Camden. The community health council has a strong

than depend on Friern Hospital. Every psychiatrist and general practitioner la only too familiar with the main obstacle to psychiatric treatment—the patient's dread that he might not be in full control of his emotions, his will or even his actions. Much of the doctor's skill lies in persuading him to accept appropriate treatment even if it requires admission to a psychiatric unit. A reluctant patient can usually be swayed to enter a general hospital, but he may remain obdurate when the only prospect offered is a bed within a mental hospital. This dread may

Yet it is still only possible to offer the more acceptable admission into a general hospital to about one-quarter of all psychiatric patients who need it (national statistics, 1973). To return to our local example, the Royal Free Hospital has insufficient beds for the psychiatric admissions from North Camden. Even more crippling is the absence of a psychiatric day hospital within the Royal Free, an essential provision for patients who require rehabilitation before becoming effective members of the community once more.

Since the new Royal Free Hospital was opened three years ago its psychiatrists have tried to remedy their deficient clinical facilities. It is not possible in the space of this article to describe our frustrations over the failure to secure even modest day hospital facilities. I must have spoken at some fifty committee meetings and written a score of letters and memo-randa on this subject, and I have inspected five possible sites—all to no avail. The best analogy is that of the familiar game of snakes and ladders, which we have all played as children. We have, I hope, scaled up a few short ladders: offers of the use of obsolete closed hospitals, savings of money from cut medical services, and, especially, pious resolutions from our district management team. But the dice are loaded and the board is crawling with snakes down which we slither with our declining hopes. The snakes take the form of squatters who have occupied the promised premises, or members of the staff who require residential accommoda-tion as a higher priority than the needs of batients.

Other examples are a scrupulous treasurer who telt there must be a catch in an offer of money from the AHA to launch the day hospital, and the AHA itself, which withdraw its offer four months later when the treasurer had grudgingly decided to accept it. In an effort to load the dice slightly in favour of the psychiatric patient, an appeal was sent to Mr Ennals on February 22, 1977. In spire of two reasonably polite reminders, no reply, no acknowledgement

reminders, no reply, no acknowledgement even, has yet been received. We are still at square one, with no prospect of a day hospital at the Royal Free.

Examples such as these may not be unusual in the NHS and it may be unrealistic to expect a rapid transition of psychiatric services from mental hospitals to general hospitals. But until there is some improvement in the fortunes of the NHS, is it not reasonable to ask for greater support for the psychiatrists and nurses who have to do their best in caring for their patients with imperfect facilities? for their patients with imperfect facilities?

Gerald Russell the press.

The most sensational criticisms of the Royal Free report were that psychiatrists at Friern treated in the district general hospital and Friem Hospitals.

Law Report November 28 1977

Battered women protected

Davis v Johnson
Before Lord Denning, Master of
the Rolls, Sir George Baker,
President of the Family Division.
Lord Justice Goff, Lord Justice
Shaw and Lord Justice CummingBruce The five-member Court of

Appeal which has been sitting to decide on the scope and ambit of the Domestic Violence and Marrimonial Proceedings Act, 1976, held by a majority (Lord Justice Goff and Lord Justice Cumming Bruce dissenting) that they were entitled to hold that two recent decisions of other divisions of the Court of or other divisions of the court of Appeal on the Act were wrong in their construction of it and its impact on "a man and a woman ... living with each other in the

impact on a mass and a winder.

Iving with each other in the same household.

The court allowed an appeal by Miss Jennifer Davis, joint tenant with Mr Nehemiah Johnson, the father of her 22-year-old child, of a Hackney council flat from that part of an order of Judge Bernard Lewis on October 26 which suspended an injunction granted by deputy Judge Paninsz on October 13 at Bremford County Court ordering Mr Johnson to vacate the premises and not return thereto. The original order was made under the provisions of section 1 of the 1976 Act, which came into force on June 1.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords was granted.

Section 1 provides: "(1) Without prejudice to the intisdiction of the High Court, on an application by a party to a marriage 2 county court chall have invisitie. be irrational but it is a fact of osychiatric

of the High Court, on an applica-tion by a party to a marriage a county court shall have jurisdic-tion to grant an injunction con-taining one or more of the follow-ing provisions, namely—(a) a pro-vision restraining the other party to the marriage from molesting the applicant; (b) . . . from molesting a child living with the applicant; (c) a provision exclud-ing the other party from the matriing the other party from the matri-monial home or a part of the matrimonial home or from a speci-fied area in which the matrimonial home is included; (d) a provision home is included; (d) a provision requiring the other party to permit the applicant to enter and remain in the matrimonial home or a part of the matrimonial home: whether or not any other relief is sought in the proceedings. (2) Subsection (1) above shall apply to a man and a woman who are living with each other in the same household as husband and wife as it applies to the parties to a marriage and any reference to the matrimonial home shall be construed accordingly."

home shall be construed accordingly."
Mr James Comyn, QC, and Miss Mr James Comyn, yo. and Manager Judith Parker for Miss Davis; Mr Joseph Jackson, QC. and Mr David McIntyre for Mr Johnson.
The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that "battered wives" was a said that "battered wives" was a telling phrase invented to call public attention to the evil whereby public attention to the evil whereby a woman suffered serious or re-peated injury from the man with whom she lived, whether she was married to the man or only living

whom she lived, whether she was married to the man or only living with him.

In 1975 the House of Commons set up a select committee to report on violence in marriage. The committee called for steps to be taken urgently to protect women subject to violence, and the 1976 Act was passed. Many women were granted injunctions by county court judges against the man evicting him from the house.

But in two cases the man appealed, and two separate divisions of the Court of Appeal allowed the appeals, holding that the county court judges had not the power to grant the injunctions.

The two decisions aroused constentation. It was said that the Courts of Appeal had flouted Parliament's intention of protecting women. Their Lordships had called together a full court—a court of all the takents—to review those two decisions, in reviewing those decisions the court had to consider whether there were error-cours and if they were whether there were error-cours. consider whether there were erron-eous, and if they were, whether they could be corrected by the

miss Davis was 21, mar jumson 42, both of West Indian origin. They had a baby girl aged 23. Miss Davis was granted a council flat, but at the man's request it was put in their joint names. She padd the rent. The man beat her frequently and with extreme violence, and she field to a battered wives' refuge.

On October 18 she asked under the new Act to be allowed to go back to the flat and for the man to be excluded from it. The deputy judge made an order in her favour; but after the Court of Appeal decisions that order was withdrawn, and the man went in again and the woman went back to the refuge. She now

of Appeal decisions that order was withdrawn, and the man went in again and the woman went back to the refuge. She now appealed.

To his Lordship's mind the Act was perfectly clear. The words of section 1(1)(c) and (2) covered Miss Davis's case.

In B v B (The Times, October 14) the court had been much infinenced by the opening and concluding words of section 1(1)—"without prejudice to the jurisdiction of the High Court" and "whether or not any other relief is sought in the proceedings." His Lordship considered they added nothing and sotheracted nothing. Another division of the court, in Cantili v Jenkins (The Times, October 25), seemed to have thought that the High Court had little or no jurisdiction to exclude a husband from the maximonial bome and that if section 1(1) gave such jurisdiction to to a county court "it produces the quite astordshing result that the substantive law in the county court is different from the substantive law to be applied in the High Court." His Lordship leared that that court could not have appreciated the extent of the High Court's jurisdiction. It was established that wherever maximonial proceedings were pending, the High Court could, at the instance of a battered wife, grant an injunction restraining the materimonial home and also excluding him from it, even though he was the owner in his sole name or tenant either in his town name or tenant either the retherality of adding through the rechargality of adding

court jurisdiction to exclude a musband, whether or no matrimonial proceedings were pending and without making it necessary to go through the technicality of adding a claim for damages.

The second reason given in B v B was that the section should be so construed as not to interfere with rights of property; that there was an elaborate code regulating the rights inter se of spouses in relation to the matrimonial home in the Matrimonial Homes Act, 1967, as amended by the 1976 Act, sections 3 and 4, and that section 1 should be regarded as procedural and not as enabling the court to interfere with the substantive rights of the parties. It did not therefore enable the court to exclude Mr B since he had an indefeasible right as against Mrs B to continue in occupation by virtue of his tenancy. Nor in Cantiff v Jenkins did it enable the court to cust Mr Jenkins, because he, as joint tenant with Miss Cantiliff, had a legal right to be in possession; Bull v Buil ([1955] 1 QB 234).

There, too, the court had gone wrong. That reasoning would

the home or the tenant or joint tenant of it; but only when the woman was the sole owner or tenant. But in practice the unmarried woman was never the sole owner or tenant. To give section I any effect it must be allowed to execute the way. be allowed to override the man's property rights and to exclude him from the "matrimonial home" whatever those rights

The third reason was that on the authority of the House of Lords in Tarr v Tarr ([1973] AC 254) there was a general principle of construction that an enactment should not be construed so as to affect rights of property; and that if " battered wives" were enabled to turn out the man it would be a law rights of the property

owning spoose".

That concept was out of date. In modern times the law had changed where justice required that personal rights in a proper case should be given priority over, rights of property. Ever since the war the courts had not allowed a husband to turn his wife and child out on to the street even though be out on to the street even mough as that title to the property. His Lord-ship preferred to go by the principles underlying the legislation rather than the outsided notions of the past. He rejected, therefore, the suggestion that in the 1976 Act Parliament intended to give projects to the husband's pro-

Act Parjament intended to give priority to the husband's property rights.

In the Cantliff case the court had been influenced by the thought that the injunction would be unlimited in time, such an injunction they said would be equivalent to a confere of property as long as a transfer of property so long as the other party was living. That did not righten his Lordship. In the injunction was a short-term the injunction was a snort-term remedy to meet an urgent need. With legal advice the parties would be able to come to a solution, or the parties might come together again or one or the other form a new relationship.

The court in B v B felt that the words "living with earh other", in service 2(1) applied to the

a new relationship.

The court in $B \ v \ B$ felt that the words "living with each other", in section Z(1) applied to the time when the woman applied to the court. Those words did not present any difficulty: they described the parties' relationship before the incidents which gave rise to the application. That was anough.

need to the approach. That was enough.

In neither case was the court referred to the Select Committee or to the proceedings in Parliament. If they had been they would have discovered the intention of parliament in passing the Act and would have given effect to it. His Lordship himself had done so: it threw a flood of light on the

threw a flood of signs on the case.

The second important point was whether the court could depart from B v B and Centliff

The Court of Appeal should regard itself as normally bound by its own previous decisions but should be at liberty to depart from them if it was convinced that they were wrong. If an error were of Lords the House might never have an opportunity to correct it and it might be perpetuated indefinitely. That often happened in the old days when there was to legal aid, and even today a person of modest means might be outside the legal aid scheme and not able to take it higher, with the risk of failing. Cases had often been settled pending appeal.

In Young v. Bristol Aeroplane Co Ltd. ([1944] 1 KB 718) a sixmember Court of Appeal had overruied the previous practice and member Court of Appeal has over-ruled the previous practice and laid down that the Court of Appeal was bound to follow its previous decisions except (1) where there were two conflicting decisions of its own; (2) where a decision of its own would not stand with a House of Lords decision; and (3) where it was satisfied that a pre-

incuriam.

That proposition was laid down miss Davis was 21, Mr Johnson as a rule of law—quite contrary to what was said in 1884 that it was a marter of indicial comity. was a marter of indicial comity. But in 1966 when the House of Lords changed its practice it called it a Practice Statement (Judicial Precedent) ([1966] 1 WLR 1234h. His Lordship thought that the Court of Appeal should also lay down for itself new guidelines. If it appeared that a previous deci-sion was wrong, the court should be at liberty to depart from it if the court thought it right to do

so, though only in the exceptional Alternatively the court should Atternatively the court should extend the exceptions in Young. By so doing the court would protect the weak and do what was fust. His Lordship would allow the appeal and restore the deputy judge's decision ordering the man to be evicted.

The PRESIDENT, concurring in allowing the appeal considered.

allowing the appeal, considered section 1 of the Act and said that on Mr Jackson's submissions the battered wife or battered illegiti-mate wife could never obtain an mate wife could never obtain an order to turn out the husband or illegitimate husband unless she was the sole owner or sole tenant and he had no proprietary interest. A moment's reflection on the realities of life would suffice to show that that situation was most unlikely to arise, for almost invariably the man had the sole or a joint interest, especially in council property.

Such an emasculated subsection (c) could best be described by the

Such an emasculated subsection (c) could best be described by the quotation from Horace, parturint montes nascetur ridiculus mus. But was this provision only a tiny miserable mouse incapable of even a nibble at the evil of domestic flooliganism? His Lordship did not think so. The Act was "plain as a pikestaff". It enabled the county court to provide immediately for the urgent and pressing need of wife and child for a roof, excluding the violent husband from what had been the matrimonial home. It made the county court the first aid post when there had been serious infringement of the basic human right of wife ur child not to be subjected to viochild not to be subjected to vio

lence,
It followed that his Lordship
considered B v B wrongly decided.
By importing into the Act the conception of non-interference with a ception of non-interference with a sacred right of property, even where there had been extreme and horrifying violence, the court had deprived section 1(1)(c) of any practical meaning or purpose. Power to make an injunction was useless if there was no injunction which could be made.

The other important question was whether the court could and should refuse to follow B v B, which it was satisfied was not only wrong but contrary to the

which it was satisfied was not only wrong but contrary to the plain terms and intent of a recent Act, or whether the court was bound by what was said in Young about the court being bound to follow its own previous decisions.

decisions,

His Lordship thought that B v
B could be distinguished from
the present case in which the
welfare and even safety of the
child was a major consideration.
But that would leave B v B as
an authority derrite his Lord-Mr Jenkins, because he, as joint tenant with Miss Camilif, had a legal right to be in possession; Bull v Bull ([1955] 1 OB 234).

There, too, the court had gone wrong. That reasoning would denrive section 1 of any effect at all. Mr Jackson said that as between the unmarried living together a woman could never invoke section 1(2) so long as the man was the owner or joint owner of present case within any of the

exceptions in Young or in later criminal cases. His Lordship could not agree that Young did not bind the court; but he was prepared to accept that there should be a further limited excep-tion, founded on an extension of the second exception in Young, that the court was bound to refuse to follow a decision of its own which, though not expressly overruled, could not stand with a
decision of the House of Lords.
He would define it thus: "The
court is not bound to follow a
previous decision of its own if
satisfied that the decision are satisfied that the decision was clearly wrong and cannot stand in the face of the will and intention of Parliament expressed in simple language in a recent statute passed to remedy a serious mis-chief or abuse, and further ad-herence to the previous decision

Court of Appeal

must lead to injustice in the par-ticular case and unduly restrict the proper development of the law with injustice to others."

His Lordship's reasons were: (1) The Practice Statement in the House of Lords recognized the danger of injustice. (2) There was a conflict between a statutory pro-vision and a decision which had completely misinterpreted the recent Act and failed to underrecent Act and finied to under-stand its purpose. (3) By his judi-cial oath a judge bound himself to do "right to all minner of people after the laws and usages of this realm". Here by refusing the injunction, his Lordship would be doing a great wrong to Miss Davis, her child, and many others by following a decision which he firmly believed was not the law. The statute was the law, the final authority.

authority.

LORD JUSTICE GOFF, for dismissing the appeal, said that the two Court of Appeal decisions were not distinguishable from the were not our negative from the present case. The question therefore was whether they were binding on the present court. His Lordship's firm view on the leading authorities was that the Court of Appeal should be bound by its own decisions and that the court, when exercising its civil inrisdictions. own decisions and that the court, when exercising its civil jurisdiction, was bound by the general rule in Young and that the class of exceptions was closed. He based his conclusion on the necessity of his conclusion on the necessity of pursuing certainty in our law; the care which should always be taken to see that hard cases did not make bad law; and the many occasions on which Young had beet approved on the highest authority. His Lordship would therefore dismiss the appeal, but he did so with acceptable processing with the capeal. with great reluctance since, with

with great reluctance since, with respect to the members of the two powerful divisions which decided these cases, he did not agree with their conclusions.

In B v B the court held that section 1 was purely procedural enabling county courts to grant injunctions and did not enable the courts to write a bushard or the courts to evict a husband or non-spouse who was the sole owner. In Cantilf the court adopted that decision and applied it to a case of joint tenancy. The it to a case of joint tenancy. The result to deprived section I(c) and 2 (1)(c) of almost all effect. In the case of a lawful wife that might not be too serious for she

had other remedies.

He did not see why the Act should not be construed as giving jurisdiction to the county court judge to grant an injunction over-riding the rights of property at common law so that in the exercise of his discretion he was free to do the best he could. What seemed to his Lordship the crucial factor which, if the matter were res integra, would lead him to adopt the liberal con-

lead him to adopt the liberal con-struction and give the county court Judge Jurisdiction to make any of of the orders specified in sections 1 and 2, either for a limited period or Indefinitely if he thought fit, irrespective of the rights of pro-perty, was that ghe strict construc-tion adopted in the other two deci-sions virtually struck section 2 out of the Act. So if the matter were res integral his Lordship would allow the appeal. As it was, while having

appeal. As it was, while having regard to the judge's findings, he had great sympathy with the appellant and others in like predicament, he felt himself bound to apply B v B and Cauliff and so would dismiss the appeal, giving the appellant leave to appeal to the House of Lords. If those decisions were wrong as his Lordship alons were wrong, as his Lordship sought to show they were, it was in his view quite clearly for the House of Lords, ner for the Court of Appeal, so to hold.

House of Lords, net for the Court of Appeal, so to hold.

LORD JUSTICE SHAW, agreeing with the judgments of the Master of the Rolls and the President, said that he agreed that section 1 was plainly intended and by its language invested the county court with powers to make such provisions as were there defined, and that such powers were exercisable irrespective of the proprietary rights of the parties. In exercising its powers the county court would have regard to all relevant circumstances; the prospects of rehousing the applicant and any children in the family, the relevant means of the parties, the greater hardship if the order was made or prolonged.

Was the court inhibited by the principle of stare deciss as expressed in Young v Bristol Aeroplane Co? There was no prohibition under any statute which prevented a departure from earlier decisions, Certainly in the law, although a factor of high importance in the administration of justice, was not the ultimac ideal. Stare deciss could not be universal in its application.

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In less than five months after the coming into force of a statute platiny intended to protect the victims of domestic violence from victims of domestic violence from being driven from the matrimonial home, its teeth had been effectively drawn by a decision of the Court of Appeal. That had not only deprived the appellant of the protection which Parliament intended but had disenfranchised many others in a like case. Because of a legalistic attitude such persons would have to make a choice hetween sub-timing to the risk of further violence or being rendered homeless.

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further violence or being rendered homeless.

LORD JUSTICE CUMMING-BRUCE said that save on one marker, not necessary for the decision, he agreed with Lord Justice Goff. For the reasons given the case could not be distinguished from B v B and Comiliff v Jenkins.

The court's task was to determine what the words of the Act meant. That task should be capable of being performed without searching through Hansard.

The practice of the court, affirmed in Young v Bristol Aeroplane Co. was based upon an appreciation of the policy which was most likely to afford the Crown and its subjects a judicial system in which the conflicting interests of certainty and justice in individual cases were reconciled. His Lordship would be more confident in the balance between the two if there could be easier access to the House of Lords. The Court of Appeal should act in accordance with the principle of stare decisis as declared in Young.

His Lordship was quite unable to hold that the decision in either B v B or Caudilf was plainly wrong. In B v B the court considered the words of the section in the context of the Act. The court was bound to follow those decision.

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Young offenders need education, not the 'glasshouse'

The problem of combating the increase in juvenile crime (up 40 per cent in the past five years) is in danger of becoming a political issue. The humane Shadow Home Secretary, Mr Willie Whitelaw, is calling for "glasshouse" treatment for the young offender. This, it is their faces and set them on the straight and narrow. I wish he were right. "Glasshouses" would be comparatively easy to set up and cheap to run. But if the evidence of detention centres, where youngsters get a short sharp shock, is anything to go by, they will come out of the glasshouse more skilled and hardened in criminal behaviour

than when they went in. According to the latest statisrics, 80 per cent of 15 and 16-year-olds who have been sent to detention centres and Borstals commit new offences within two years. On the other hand son in law, Mr Perer Jay, who recently chaired a high-powered working party on children and young people in custody, recommending the possibility of releasing all but 400 of the 12,000 offenders between the ages of 10 and 16 correctly in institutions, from Borstals to com-munity homes. This radical recommendation springs from the belief of many members of young offenders is a failure. It produces high recidivism, fosters a permanent criminal sub-culture and scars the per-sonalities of children who spend

long periods in institutions. This latter point was poignantly illustrated by Lord Snowdon in his recent television documentary on three young offenders. Peter, Tana and Steve, being fostered in Keut's Special Family Placement Project. A Times television correspondent wrote of Steve as a depressed, deof Steve as a depressed, de-prived product of a lifetime in I have not beaten anybody care, who seemed to have been 'crushed" as his house-mother

described his demeanour, Juvenile crime is also a highly emotive issue. The public feels threatened and vulnerable. The magistrates feel that the 1969 Children and Young Persons Act has castrated them. The social workers feel harassed and resentful that more said and resentful that more or protect society from their care without a corput in their care without a corpessonding increase in resources with which to look after inflicted on the emotionally characters are damaged and insecure young.



rous: In the morning a chief constable, a inner London court stipendiary magistrate and) had each made a speech stressing that the increase in juvenile crime was a worldwide problem of great complexity and rooted in cultural and

frenetically thrashing around sters who make up the vast for an "answer".

Recently I was at a conference for more than 1,000 Rotations—steady, sound, solid citizens down to their Rotary but tons. In the morning a chief care of young offenders, are consorted to comporal punishment. opposed to corporal punishment not because we are soft-hearted, gooding liberals, whose hearts rule our heads; but because well know it does not have the The desired effect

supported and well rewarded thought-out therapeutic pro-foster parents; intermediate grammes are being implemen-treatment schemes; crash pads where youngsters can go in a preining available for this work I have not beaten anypody where youngsters can go in a since I was a 16-year-old chief crisis; intense social work supcadet captain at the Royal port of natural parents; additional staff at schools where there are violent and delin-prospect, I would endeavour to recover my old skills with the for school refusers and more recover my old skills with the community service orders, Much as I would dislike the prospect, I would endeavour to quent children; more centres residential care of offenders is not going to be stick, for the benefit of the community service orders, stemmed until we train the staffs of our existing institutions in techniques that enable the long run, more protection them to do the detsperately difficult task society expects of

specific treatment in residential care would be more appropriate than simply providing a par-ticular kind of good home, if we had the staff with the skills to carry out the programme of reeducation. It was not until last month, when I visited the School of Psycho-Education in of Montreal, that I realized how far behind we are in this country in developing any thera-peutic techniques for dealing peutic recimiques for dealing with delinquency. In the past 25 years, the School of Psycho-Education has developed a systematic form of treatment which aims to reeducate the disturbed and delinquent youngster. It has abolished the distriction to several in this the distinction, so sacred in this country, between the teacher and the carer, and has well-trained psycho-educators combining both roles. It leads the young people through a four-stage programme of assimila-tion, control, creativity and per-sonality, in which every moment of every day is part of a thera-

But for some young offenders

I saw it in operation in an ex-approved-school type of institution for boys and girls, in a small home for 20 highly disturbed boys from eight to eleven years old, with high IQs, and in the wing of a secure criminal mental hospital where teenage boys are committed. teenage boys are committed,

often for homicide. The sense of purpose, confidence and hope which permeated the staff and the young people was remarkable. The "success" rates, monitored by independent researchers, are about 80 per cent compared to our 20 per

ful of institutions in this country (usually run by in-spired geniuses) where carefully in any university in Britain. Psycho-education techniques are no panacea but the current

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Polly Adams into country wife

For a lady not yet out of her thirdes, Polly Adams has had a distinctly Edwardian stage career: years of Noel Coward, Ben Travers, Frederick Lons-dale and John Gaisworthy were followed by a brief burst of modernity in Ayckbourn's Bedfarther back in the past, 1675 to be precise, for Peter Hall's starry new production of The starry new production of The Country Wife which opens at the Oliviet tonight.

Leading a company which also includes Albert Finney, Richard Johnson, Elizabeth Spriggs and Robin Bailey, Miss Adams can't decide whether the feels safe or company.

she feels safe or somewhat "On the one hand, with all those good people around you

and in this great building, you feel protected: on the other hand, if it does go wrong, there's somebow more to go wrong than at a less famous Now 38, Polly Adams has Now 38, Polly Adams has already survived virtually 20 years in the business since her first West End job opposite Paul Scoffeld and Sir Ralph Richardson in The Complaisant Lover at the Globe in 1959.

Not surprisingly, perhaps, for one who started so well so

young she comes from a fam-ily of actors: "Joseph Harker was my great-grandfather and Gordon Harker was a great uncle, so I was brought up against a back-ground of the old touring actor-managers, though that was all on my mother's side of the family. Father was attached to the Foreign Office

attached to the Foreign Office and stayed far away from all that sort of thing."

An only child, she had a convent upbringing and was sure enough of her future to apply to RADA at 17:

"I gave them a very bad bit of Titania which I was always doing around the house, being that kind of child, and they failed me, but then the second time I did a bit of Eliza Dolittle and they took me in during tle and they took me in during that rather good Tom Cour-tenay-Susannah York-Sian Phillips time when Fernald bad looking up again. From there I got a job playing small parts nightly it was, and at the end of the week I had to get five sets down to the station and on to a train for the next town, so I cried a lot and people used to help out.

gud, and he put me into The Complaisant Lover after only a few months in the profession, which was wonderful though it could never happen now ings:
because actors have to go "I still don't feel a very cen-

"Then I auditioned for Giel-



"I suppose it would have been better for me to have had a long training period in rep and for a while I thought he'd somewhere but I never did, never straighten out his legs and I can't say I regree having again. got in at the end of those old West End days: one of the actors here at the National the other day said to me in horror 'Have you seen the set they've got at the Cortesboe for Half-Life? It's just like going back to Tennents', but I remember as bad as people make out."

Company life at the National suits her, though she has a suits her, though she has a feeling life might be easier if they could rehearse in a church hall somewhere instead of in those august surround-

through a probationary period tral member of the company, before London. After that I perhaps because they only let seemed to spend an awful lot me do one play at a time—I of my time playing ingenues in had to leave Bedroom Farce to long West End runs like The rehearse The Country Wife Bride Comes Back with Cicely because we're on different tral member of the company,

Courtneidge and Jack Hulbert.

I remember Bernard Levin giving us a special award for being the worst play of that I was sad to leave Bedroom. year, but we still lasted about Farce: one night, you know eighteen months counting the John Cleese came and I'd never seen a man literally have a paroxysm of mirth before: he totally creased up and for a while I thought he'd

" After all that, The Country Wife seems somehow much harder as a convention; at least with Shakespeare you've almost always seen the play before you start rehearsing, but I'd seen very little Restora-tion comedy and I find it very hard to give the mannerisms talgia now—they really weren't the importance they demand as bad as people make out." without letting them take the whole performance. It's like being a kamikaze pilot: you just have to fling yourself down into it and hope for the best. You can't creep up on The Country Wife the way you The future? "It's not some

thing I really think about much: of course I worry that there aren't so many parts for

Sheridan Morley

Leonardo as anatomist

notes and drawings by Leonardo were discovered in the Biblioteca Nacional in Madrid. Soon, perhaps, we may know whether his lost fresco of The Battle of Anghiari still exists beneath the work of Vasari in the Sala dei Cinquecento of the Palazzo Vecchio in Florence, when current tests are completed. Leonardo's famous

Now Leonardo's famous anatomical drawings from the Queen's collection at Windsor Queen's collection at windsor are exhibited separately in London for the first time. Previously the drawings had been bound together and so could only be displayed page by page. Recently they have been split up and sandwiched between two theets of perserver. tween two sheets of perspex. Protected like this, they can be exhibited so that the drawings on both sides of the page can on both sides of the page can be seen. (They were shown for the first time in this way in Washington and Los Angeles last year.) In the Royal Academy's Private Rooms they are simply and effectively displayed in an installation designed by Paul Williams.

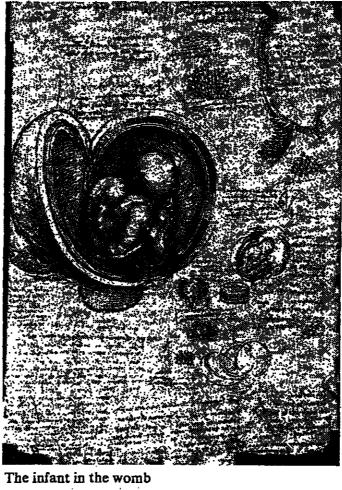
Leonardo's contribution to anatomy is well known. Such

Leonardo's contribution to anatomy is well known. Such was his energy and the many-rided nature of his genius that he achieved this as a mere fraction of his total activity. (Only 1 per cent of his extant manuscripts are concerned with human anatomy.) His dissections and the drawings made from these were done made from these were done between 1487 and 1493, and between 1505 and 1512. In his early drawings he concentrated on the brain and skull, the sensory and nervous systems and in particular the eye and its connexions through the optic nerve to the brain. (Leonardo described the eye as the condexions of the condexions and the condexions are the condexions are the condexions are the condexions.) "the window of the soul".).
Twenty years later he concen-irated on the reproductive and digestive organs (from this period dates the most celebrated drawing of the infant in the womb), and the superb studies of musculature and bone structure, of the heart and the

blood supply.

In his dissections and the conveying of the information he gained from them through his drawings, Leonardo antici-pated Vesalius by several decades. Nevertheless he was often still bound by medieval ways of looking at human anatomy. He did not, as is often held, discover the circulation

edvanced the study of anatomy and of anatomical drawing. He as Leonardo was to an extent a prisoner of his time and traditional ideas. In an early drawing of a section through a copulating couple, he shows the sperm coming in a tube from the base of the spinal column, a belief derived from Hippocratus. And in the much advanced the study of anatomy and of anatomical drawing. He also gained knowledge that he used in his art. From science, he wrote, "is born creative action which is of much more value". Some of the drawings, the that of the child in the from the base of the spinal womb, which display the wonder of the creation of life, are great works of art. Most of the blood. Hippocratus. And in the much later drawing of the baby in the womb he included in the wascular walls the cotyledons Coition of hemisected man and which he had found in dissectwoman, are more of curiosity ing the uterus of the cow, but value and are not life-enhancwhich do not exist in the ing. It is clear that heterosexhuman womb. Although uai union held no beauty for Leonardo was a pioneer of him. Fifteen years after mak-



comparative anatomy, this sometimes misled him. Never-theless his achievement in the

was enormous.
In his anatomical drawings he uses line to convey the in-formation as precisely as possible. They were not conceived of as finished works bur as visual notes and records, although they have their own beauty which has long been recognized. But their realism is concerning agents. recognized. But their realism is often disconcerting, particularly for those with queasy stomachs. In his foreword to the catalogue Sir Anthony Blom writes: "It must never be forgotten that these studies are not only fascinating diagrams but superb works of art." Leonardo was a man of a multipula of great tedents and to titude of great talents and to confound them in this way is to confuse the issue. Leonardo advanced the study of anatomy are great works of art. Most show a great inquiring intelli-gence at work. A few, like

ing this drawing he wrote:
"The act of cours and the
parts employed therein are so
repulsive that if it were not for the beauty of the faces and frenetic state of mind, nature would lose the human species."

The exhibition continues until February 19. The catalogue, which is fully illustrated (£2.20, £3.00 after the close of the exhibition continues.

excellent introduction "Leonardo da Vinci, the Anatomist" by Dr Kenneth Keele, who will lecture on "Leonardo da Vinci: Anatomia Naturale on Thursday in the Lecture
Room of the British Academy
at Burlington House at 6.30.
Edwin Smith was a fine

architectural and landscape photographer whose pictures were used to illustrate many of the best architectural and topographical books of the Fifties and Sixties. First and Last In terests: Edwin Smith 1912-1971 terests: Edwin Smith 1912-1971 (House galkery, until December 18) is an exhibition of photographs taken for himself. The later partners are sensitively recorded landscapes, the earlier are superb photographs of pre-war fairgrounds and circuses (which complement The Fairground exhibition at the Whitechapel Art Gallery; a pity some of them couldn't have been included there), and of a Cawden Town which has of a Camden Town which has

Silver Blaze

Alan Coren

'Is there any point to which you would wish to draw my anention?" "To the curious incident of the actor in the night-time." "The actor did nothing in the night-time." *That was the curious incident", remarked the reviewer.

Last weekend, the vaunted Sunday Drama slot on Independent Television lasted less than half an hour. It held a curious little item, concerning the theft of a horse and the torian England, an effect upon which no expense was spared, involving as it did a rehabili-

hundred extres in top hats, and a big star in a deerstalker. The star, Christopher Plum-

mer, played a short, jovial private detective who, accompanied by an elderly doctor, ser about solving the twin crimes. As an anodyne to the irritating hysterics of Starsky and Hutch, the two might have served well enough, had they in their turn been served by a script and a direction which made some seuse of their

As it was, the plot seemed to have been chopped up into small pieces and arranged arbitrarily to form nothing Indeed, one might have been forgiven for guessing that the bits had been discovered upon cleaning lady who had then gummed them together and unloaded the result upon Herlech Television in exchange for 50 Weights.

As for the star detective, he popped up here and there in these disconnected sequences and did nothing at all except stare quizzically into the middle distance until such time as it became necessary for him to rattle off this solution in the dying seconds. All very odd. surely, mystery, tension, atmosphere would have been immeasurably enhanced by having the plot slowly revealed through the eyes of, say, a baffled bystander.

Mind, it might not have made

good television, even then. The tube is not the best medium for detective fiction calls. Were the for the printed page, however, he could well be on a winner.

LSO/Kubelik Festival Hall

Joan Chissell

Instead of the traditional overture, concerto and symphony, Rafael Kubelik chose just

Brahms's last two symphonies for his concert with the LSO "Old fashioned kind of music", was the phrase over-heard from a stranger in the fashioned kind of row behind. By the same token. Mr Kubelik could have been described as an old fashioned. or at any rate old world kind of conductor. His tempo was or conductor. His tempo was unhurried, his phrasing was expansive, and instead of going for high melodic gloss he favoured an unusually full sonority with plenty of middle

and bass.

There was a rock-like firmness of structure without rigidity, and equally an inner glow very different from the overintense, highly strung espres-sivo often meted out to this omposer by those young advocates anxious to prove that he was not the antediluvian monster evoked by Hugo Wolf in an infamous review of the Third Symphony. Brahm's Eroica was how Richter more fittingly described it after con-ducting the premier, for never

did the composer test his frei aber freh motto more search-ingly before reaching that F rajor haven at the end. Since Brahms's scoring was scarcely ever more Wagnerian than in this homecoming, per-haps Mr Kubelik could have been more attentive to balance here to extract greater sen-suous beauty. In the first movement's last big climax, too, he allowed timps and brass to overpower the main motif in the strings. But the glorious theme for violins at the end of the slow movement could not have been more richly sung. The Aliegretto, because unhurried, as uncommonly nostalgic.
The E minor symphony

brought keen contras mellow lyricism and peremp-tory challenge in the first move-ment, golden andante in the Andante, well sprung rhythm in the third movement and a generously characterized but integrated sequence of varia-tions in the finalé.

Philbarmonia/Maazel Festival Hall

Paul Griffiths

Mismatching, I think, was the principal cause of a veil of incongruities which obscured the Sibelius violin concerto on Sunday afternoo. Vladimir Spivakov, the soloist announced in his first phrase that he was not going to let the music pass without an inflection of gypsy romance, or perhaps of Slavonic soulfulness. This never came to dominate his performance, and sometimes, as in the first-movement cadenzas, it disappeared in favour of a fine disappeared in strength in virtuosity. It did, however, lend a certain dark character not quite appropriate to what was a polished projec-tion of this wayward work, a performance which thoughtfully sought out its larger forms.
Only in the finale, and then no more than occasionally, was Mt Spivakov's tenacious hold on the music weakened by some want of alacrity.

Lorin Maazel, the conductor, took a rather different view of

the work. Attentive more to its smaller features, he provided very restrained accompaniment, but unleashed the full orchestral might in those passages where the soloist is silent, particularly in the last movement. As a result, Mr Spivakov's boldly continuous line was off-set by a disjointed sequence of orchestral panels. The concert's other big work

was Dvurak's eighth symphony, which proved similarly resistant to Mr Maazel's approach. It is too pleasant a piece to take easily to the unnatural rhythms which he inflicted on it in the slow movement.

Orange Festival operas Daniel Barenboim will conduct the Orchestre de Paris at next year's Orange Festival in Samson and Delitah. The title roles will be taken by Placido Domingo and the Russian mezzo

Elena Obratzova.

Samson will be heard on July

22. A formight later, on August

5, Ingvar Wixell sings the title
role in Macheth, with Grace Bumbry as Lady Macberh and Ruggero Raimondi as Banquo. The orchestra on this occasion will be the Philharmonia from London under Christoph von Dohnanyi,

I Love My Wife In a profile of Cy Coleman on

this page last month it was suggested that Spephen Sondheim was not an ardent admirer of the musical I Love My Wife.

Mr Sondheim wishes to make it clear that he has never ex-pressed a criticism of this pro-duction.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yes-Paul Overy terday's later editions.

A Good Night's Sleep Adelphi

Judith Cruickshank

There may be differences of opinion about Wayne Sleep's merits as a classical stylist; as to his abilities as an entertainer there can be none. In Sunday's gala at the Adelphi, held in aid

Families, he was not only co-producer and linkman, but appeared in no fewer than seven items. These ranged from Balan-chine's Tarantella, in which he partnered a sparkling Lesley Collier, to a new Ashton party-piece. Tweedledum and Tweedledee with Graham Flet-

of the Friends of One-Parent

cher as Dum and Collier as Alice. A lovely trio this, in which Ashton has caught the true flavour of Lewis Carroll and transformed it into dance. Sleep also appeared in a solo from Nijinska's ballet Le Train Bleu. Created in 1924 for Anton Dolin, who taught it to Sleep, it is a mixture of virtuoso steps and acrobatics. Fiendishly difficult to dance. I imagine, it

The programme included two other revivals of early works; Ninette de Valois's Pride per-formed by Maina Gielgud and

makes one long to see the

whole ballet.

the evenine was the London premiere of a new Ashton pas de deux to the music of Offenbach's ballet. Le Papillon. Ashton has ignored the con-

plex plot of the original and has made a charming romantic pas de deux evoking the period fully danced by Merie Park, it makes full use of her lightness, her sure technique and sense of style. Parmering her. Wayne Eagling seems less secure, and Julia Trevelvan Oman's rather fussy costume

But not all the doncers came from the Royal Ballet and not all the performers were cancers. London Contemporary Dance Theatre was represented by Robert North and Linda Gibbs in a pes de deux from Pobert Cohan's Numpheas, and the musical by Perra Siniawski and Nicky Croydon from A Chorus Line.

Derek lacobi shared the announcing with Warne Sleen, while Penelope Keith brought a new look to The Sleening Beauty with a forgerful I flag Faire. Full marks to her Florimund, Anthony Dowell, hrst dancer I have ever seen promoting classical mime. Dowell and John Curry and from Ashron's Facede and, res

seen to ether they do resemble each other. Altogether it was Pavlova's Dragonfly solo, ravish-ingly danced by Margaret Bar-bieri. But the main event of slept a wink

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investment will not be stopped but next year's level still to be fixed

House of Commons There was no question of stopping vestment programme. Mr Eric Variey, Secretary of State for In-dustry, assured MPs during questions on the corporation.

Investment would take place
next year but the level had still to

Mr Variey-Somebody might sughe was in continuing contact with Sir Charles Villiers, charman of BSC, about the problems of the seel industry.

Mr Douglas Crawford (Perth and East Perthshire, Scot Nat)—Will Mr Varley condemn the cynical, deliberate continued run down of the steel industry in Lanackshire and Ayrshire throwing thousands of men out of work and causing them to lose their dignity? Would Mr Varley advocate the establishment of a Scottish steel corporation answerable to the Scottish Assembly with access to

the oil revenues? Mr Variey—Somebody might suggest that Mr Crawford is making crude political advantage for the SNP out of the difficulties of the BSC. Over the last few years the Scottish division of the BSC have ione remarkably well. They have had something like

They have had something like f120m of investment out of a total investment expenditure for the corporation of £579m; that is 21 per cent and Scotland represents about 10 per cent of BSC's steel-making capacity. Far from BSC losing out in Scotland they have done very well indeed.

Mr Robin Hodgson (Walsall, North, C)—If BSC is to bring its staffing levels into line with its major competitors it will have to shed between 40,000 and 60,000 jobs. Will Mr Varley agree a programme with the chairman of BSC to improve productivity and 50. improve productivity and so fuce the appalling level of losses ich together with the capital expenditure programme amount to 20 per cent of the public sector borror ag requirement as a

Mr Varley—I am discussing all these matters with RSC and the TUC steel industries consultative committee and I shall be meeting Michael Marsball (Arundel,

C)—What deadline has Mr Varley set himself in trying to reach these runcial decisions with the chairman of BSC and the TUC steel committee? If he allows this to drift he in the industry and to the nation-Mr Varley—Discussions are taking place urgently with BSC. I do not want to go further today.

want to go turner today.

Mr Norman Lamout (Kingston upon Thames, C)—While we appreciate the difficulties of the world steel recession, can Mr Varley name any other national steel industry which has jost its domestic market of the control of the

Savings lost

on worthless

Mr Terence Walker (Kings-wood, Lab) asked if the

woon, Laby essent in the wood, Laby essent in the Director of Public Prosecutions, with a view to prosecution for fraud, the activaties and advertising in the United Kingdom of

Spanish Gold Real Estate, Limited, in commexion with their advertisements of retirement houses.

Mr Arthur Davidson, Parliamen-

Nir Arthur Davidson, Parliamentry Secretary, Law Officers Department (Accrington, Lab)—Spanish Gold Real Estates is the trading name of Swadeway Limited. I have no evidence of the commission by that company of criminal offences but I shall consider any information which is submitted to me

Mr Walker—The whole question of

advertisements of retirement homes in Spain as advertised in Choice magazine should be looked

into.
Will he consider evidence I will

with the consider evidence 1 will send to him because two of my constituents have lost their life savings in worthless property through an advertisement in Choice magazine?

Mr Davidson—I will consider anything he sends. And if that evidence reveals something which should go to the Director of Public Prosecutions, it will be sent to

Mr Hugh Fraser (Stafford and Stone, C) asked if the Attorney General would seek as early as possible to clarify the law relating to contempt of court by the media when a retrial of a criminal case has been ordered.

Mr Samuel Silkin (Southwark, Dul-wich, Lab)—When the retrial of a criminal case has been ordered the

crimmas case has been ordered me ordinary rules of contempt of court apply so that prejudicial comment may amount to a con-tempt. The Phillimore Committee recommended no change on this

Mr Fraser—We have reached an absurd situation. There was a new case recently of the Neucostle Journal and another involving the

Stafford Newstetter when the un-fortunate editor was dragged before the court and told he was in contempt. I have sent the papers to the Attorney General.

Mr Silkin-On the Newcastle Jour-

Contempt of

retrial cases

court in

property in

Spain

have a substantial, profitable and expanding British steel industry. It is unthinkable we can opt out of this major, preeminent, manufac-

Mr John Ellis (Brigg and Scun-thorpe, Lab)—Would Mr Varley comment on reports there have been that BSC are stopping all inresument plans? It is vital we modernize this inudustry and nowhere is that more important

Mr Varley-There is no question of stopping BSC's investment programme. The matter is to be dealt with urgently. There are serious problems but investment will take place next year.

Mr Frank Hooley (Sheffield, Heeley, Lab)-To hold or defer the major investment programme of BSC would have serious repercus-sions all through other industries. Mr Varley-Investment in BSC at Europe. To make sure we have a modern and efficient capacity, in vestment will take place in BSC next year. As to the level, that has

Mr Donald Stewart (Western Isles, Scot Nat)—The Scottish industry had rationalized itself even before the Benson committee reported. Whether nationalized or not the industry ought to remain on a Scottish basis.

Mr Varley—I do not agree. The problems of BSC have to be looked at on the basis of the United Kingdom as a whole.

dom as a whole.

Mr Jeremy Bray (Motherwell and Wishaw, Lab)—The two SNP members who have spoken do not represent a single steel worker. As one of those who do represent steel workers we accept that it is going to be a difficult situation and rely on the Government to maintain the investment programme and to provide alternative jobs for those which can no longer be provided in the steel industry.

Mr Varley-We will take these things into account in the discus-sions with BSC and the TUC steel committee.

Mr John Biffen (Oswestry, C)—Does Mr Varley share the view of the Secretary of State for Trade (Mr Dell) that it would be inappropriate to raise the price of Europeau steel as proposed by commissioner Etienne Davignon in view of the weakness of the marker?

Mr Varley—The Government have no influence over the prices of BSC because that was given away when we went into the Common Market. Sir Keith Joseph, Opposition spokesman on industry (Leeds, North-East, C)—However much money the taxpayer finds to save jobs in BSC that number of people will almost certainly be thrown out of employment as a result of the

Mr Richard Page (Workington, C) had asked when the Secretary of State would next meet Mr Michael Edwardes, chalsman of British Leyland, and Mr Variey indicated he was due to see Mr Edwardes

Mr Page—Will the Secretary of State ensure that the new chairman

is fully aware of the vital necessity

of traving plans for new models throughout the Leyland range, and in particular work and progress towards a new fleet of medium

family saloons?
To that end, he should ensure that if extra finance is needed.

adequate parliamentary time and discussion is made available.

Mr Variey—As to the model range, that is a marter for British Leyland. The new chairman is fully aware of that factor. On parliamentary time and debate, I will consider that.

Mr Anthony Durant (Reading, North, C)—The distributors are anxious to have a middle range car. They are not convinced of the merits of the new Mint.

Mr Varley—That is a matter for the British Leyland board. I will draw his interest to them.

Mr Thomas Litterick (Birmingham, Selly Oak, Lab)—He should urge the chairman to indicate his company's expansion plans, with the investment and production plans of the British machine tool industry.

When does he expect to have a planning agreement or planning agreement or planning agreements with both British Leyland and the machine tool manufacturers?

Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirling-stire. Lab) asked the Attorney General how many official court visits he had made during the cur-rent session of Parliament.

Mr Samuel Silkin, Attorney General (Southwark, Dulwich, Lab)—None. The Lord Chancelor has ministerial responsibility for the administration of the courts in England and Wales.

Mr Canavan—During his previous court visits, has Mr Silkin formed

reformation of the law of criminal

nal, this is sub judice and a matter in respect of which I have applied to the Divisional Court to consider. That is the proper way of doing it.

| IDel ? | It is disgraceful that a crook like | Roger Gleaves whose gang were | responsible | for exploitation of

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Criminal libel charges

against journalists

later today.

Mr Varley-BSC has done extre-

mely well over the last few years, it is still a net exporter. We have to make sure that BSC becomes profitable and it secures the jobs of the majority of the people who work in that industry.

Mr Timothy Renton Mid-Sussex C) later asked if Mr Variey would lay on the table of the House all the papers that had passed between him and the chairman of the British Steel Corporation over the Mr Varley-No.

Mr Renton—Is there not a growing feeling, aggravated by his evasive answer earlier this afternoon, that there is a conspiracy of silence over telling the House anything about the important discussi BSC's future that are going on We represent the taxpayers, who will have to pay bills amounting to billions of pounds. In how many weeks will he make a full statement to the House

Mr Varley—The matter is being dealt with urgently. I have had several discussions, and Mr Kaufman, the Minister of State, has had discussions, with the BSC. I shall be seeing the TUC steel committee tomorrow afternoon. We are making as much progress as we can. I am not flippant in any way and do nor underestimate the needs Mr not underestimate the needs My Renton referred to.

Mr Hooley—Can he point out to nor Hooley—Can he point out to the chairman of the sueel corpora-tion that it would be better for the administration of public corpora-tions if chairmen were more forth-coming to select committees of this House which have a duty to probe into these matters and expect full cooperation from persons of that status?

Mr Variey—I am not aware that the chairmen of nationalized indus-tries do not cooperate with select committees. When I have had to appear before the committees I have tried to be as helpful as

C)—We shall look forward to what he has to say on Thursday on these matters. He is being coy about this. Will he at least not say he will try to make a statement before Chrismas on what he intends to do, if necessary postponing some of the longer-term decisions for a second and later statement?

Mr Varley-I will consider that. Later Mr Crawford unsuccessfully Later Mr Crawford unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate on the BSC which, he said, appeared to be acting in panic and could, through closures, put at risk 6,000 jobs directly associated with steel in Scotland and a total of 12,000 to 15,000 including those indirectly associated.

Market share position of British

land.
On planning arrangements with British Leyland, they have participation arrangements agreed during the time of the Ryder report. Some

have been successful. Unfortu-

nately, some of the trade unions at the plants are not taking part, I hope they will.

I hope they will.

Mr Hilary Miller (Bromsgrove and Redditch, C)—He should explain to the chairman that the House word funds for British Leyland on the basis of the Ryder plan. If that is now changed or overtaken by events, it will be necessary to come back to the House again for the approval of further funding.

approval of further funding.

Mr Variey—The National Enterprise Board will receive British
Leyland's corporate plan around
the turn of the year. It will be for
the Coverument then to decide.

Sir Keith Joseph, chief Opposition
spokesman on industry (Leeds,
North-East, C)—In the light of the
difficulties for British Leyland,
steel, ships and aeroplanes, does
he still believe in Clause Four?

Mr Verley—He ought to do 2

he still believe in Clause Four?

Mr Varley—He ought to do a check list of the two 1974 Labour Party manifestos and he will see that the only aspect of those manifestos that has not been fulfilled, including the expansion of British industry, is the point raised by Mr Litterick.

Mr Litterick.

We have not made as much progress as we hoped on planning agreements. That is something we hope to rectify. The Labour Party stands for extension of public ownership and we are doing that. Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove. C) later asked if Mr Varley was satisfied that British Leyland had a feasible programme for returning to commercial viability.

Mr Varley—I am awaiting the

Mr Varley-I am awaiting the

young people and murder of one of my constituents, should be allowed out of jedl after two years and manage to persuade a magistrate

to imprison three journalists and lay criminal libel charges against two others whose only crime was that they were responsible for exposing the Gleaves racket.

Mr Silkin-The second part is sub

Reform of the libel law is a matter for the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary. On this particular aspect of it, there are conflicting recommendations from the committee on defamation and the Royal Commission on the Press. They are being considered.

indice and I cannot comment.

Leyland 'extremely serious'

The National Enterprise Board would receive British Leyland's corporate plan around the end of the year, and it would then be for the Government to make their decision, Air Eric Varley, Secretary of State for Industry (Chester-field, Lab) said during questions.

On planning arrangements with British Leyland, they have participation arrangements agreed during the firm of the Ryder report. Some

Minister gives assurance that BSC | All UK airlines should buy British wherever possible

The Government were concerned Mr Norman Tebbit (Waltham that wherever possible all British Forest, Chingford, C)—Why does alrilines should buy British, Mr Gerald Ranfman, Minister of State the minister think that the head of the nationalized British Alrways for Industry, said. that wherever possentiate wherever possentiate wherever possentiate should buy Brusself Cerald Randman, Minister of State for Industry, said.

He was replying to Mrs Helene Hayman (Welwyn and Hatfield, Lab) who had commented: The already demoralized civil aircraft into industry to buy the acroplanes that he needs?

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Trident replacements could be supplied in this country by this country's industries. Will be ensure that not only we go ahead on the HS 146 but that Bridish Always are firmly told by the Secretary of State for Trade (Mr Edmund Dell) that they have to fly the flag as well? (Labour cheers.) Mr Kaufman-The question of airair agumma—the question of air-craft procurement by British Air-ways is for the Secretary of State for Trade. The Government as a whole are anxious that wherever possible all British airlines should buy British.

industry needs? Mr Kantman-One reason why Mr Stainton may have felt it necessary

to make those remarks was that during the period 1970-74 the pri-vately-owned industry brought for-ward no new projects which could now be manufactured. As for the Government, we have maintained the option on the HS 146, on which British Aero-

We are autious that production

of the BAC 111 should go ahead and this would have stopped if the privately-owned British aircraft in-Mr Norman Tehhitt (Walthau Forest, Chingford, C) later asked the minister if the Bridsh Aero-space Corporation had yet rold him of any proposal to proceed with a new civil aircraft project or requested Government support for

such a project. Mr Gerald Kaufman, Minister of State for Industry (Manchester, Ardwick, Lab)—British Aerospace is actively examining all possible civil aircraft options Mr Tebbit—Does that answer mean "ves" or "no"?

Mr Kaufman—It means Mr Peter Rost (South-East Derby-shire, C)—How can British Air-

Mr Kapiman-He is characteristically inaccurate. A decision I amounced herd only last year, after that made by Mr Benn, has made it possible for the HS 146 project to be launched following a positive recommendation from British Aerospace if it should be forthcoming and acceptable to the

Colne, Lab)—It is damaging when British Airways announce that they will buy American. This does not help to formulate any policy. Will he further recommend to the Secretary of State for Trade that Mr Stainton be sacked for his

Mr Kanfman—I do not know if dismissal is a necessary solution to this problem. We are anxious that

ways buy British when he has taken no decisions in the last three years to help the industry to get any project launched and presides over the rundown of the nationalized acrospace industry?

British Airways and all other British airlines, including the Dritish arrives which I first to Teeside on an American plane of the days ago, should buy British. Mr Ross Smitton made his statement of the property of the project industry? tish airlines, including the trial-sely-owned airline on which I first to Teeside on an American plane a few days ago, should buy British. Mr Ross Stainton made his state-ment in New York after flying there are not only the strainest first there on not only the greatest Br tish plane ever produced but the greatest by any aircraft industry.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—Could it be that Mr Stainton does not know he. that Mr Stanton does not know he own company officials are talking to British Airways about the BAC 121. It is much more likely that this is a ploy he is continuous in order to extract from the Government a subsidy in return for an incrementary to here. Retends when instruction to buy British, which British Airways could do anyway.

Mr Kaufman-That is a question for Mr Sminton, I have frequent amicable conversations with Mr Stainton and I am sure that any time he reports to me that he intends to buy British, the conversations will be even more amicable.

Debate on dismissal of Scottish

It would be in order for MPs argue, as a reason for supporting a motion about Sheriff Thomson, the sheriff unless and until he was

sheriff

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas amounced this in a ruling on a matter raised last week by Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop (Tiverton, C) about a debate to take place next Monday, December 5, on the

The Speaker said: He asked in effect whether it would be in order to discuss the question of whether Sheriff Thomson should have the leave of the He is to appear at the Bar of the House. I would remind the House tha

the question of whether an oppor-turity should be given to debate the motion which is designed to give leave to the Sheriff to be present at the Bar when the prayer is debated is not for me. I am not concerned in the arrangement of business.

Mr Robert Adley (Christchurch and Lymington, C)—As Mr Michael Foot, Lord President, has been making it difficult for the House to debate the Sheriff Thomson affair and Lord Kilbrandon, in a speech this weekend, appeared to questioned on the matter? The Speaker—That would get me into hot water.

report which the NEB will make to me when they have received and considered Braish Leyland's revised corporate plan.

Mr Arnold—What specific criteria will the Government use this time round in assessing whether the

company's production targets are sufficiently precise?

Mr Varley—It depends on the plan we shall receive and the amount of

we shall receive and the amount of resources that will be required-resources which would come from public funds and resources we hope British Leyland will be able to generate from profits.

It is clear that the market share position of British Leyland is extremely serious. The Ryder plan for Leyland investment envisaged a share of 33 per cent and it is much lower, but I am confident that the retstablished Leyland board will tackle this as quickly as possible.

Mr Litterick—When does he

Mr Litterick—When does he expect to conclude a planning agreement with Bristish Leyland without confusing it with the abortive participation agreement between management and workers?

Mr Varley—I am sure that like most of us on this bench he greatly regress that the participation scheme has not been carried through I know of no constraints, no difficulties, to prevent British Leyland and the workforce concluding a planning agreement if they want to.

Mr Bilary Miller—Does he accept that the commercial visibility of the rest of the British car industry

rests on being organized on a European basis? Has he thought about such an arrangement for Bri-tish Lesland?

Mr Varley—The other British car manufacturers have integrated some of their operations within Europe. There has been a protocol signed by British Leyland and Renault on technical assistance.

Smaller parties

of visitors

of the firemen's strike.

Review of competition policy legislation

Mr Mike Thomas (Newcastle upon Tyne, East. Lab) asked the Secre-tary of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, what action was being taken to carry out the review of the legislation and insti-tutions governing competition

Mr Roy Hattersley, in a written reply, said—The review stems from concern at the increasing concentration of ownerskin in British intration of ownership in British in-dustry and the effect that this may be having on the economy, the disappointing results of many mergers and the Government's desire to ensure that competition policy makes its full contribution to improving industrial perfor-mance.

mance.

The review will reflect the fact that competition policy and the industrial strategy are complementary in that they share the same basic objective of increasing the efficiency of British industry.

We have decided to set up an interdepartmental group whose task will be to prepare a preliminary study for ministers by the spring.

The group will carry out a survey of the existing evidence on the

spring.
The group will carry out a survey of the existing evidence on the causes and consequences of concentration, the factors that encourage mergers and their results, the effects of monopolies, and the effectiveness of the present competition legislation. They will have regard to competition policy in other committee and especially the development of the EEC rules the development of the EEC rules

further similes may be necessary. They will be giving special attention to the implications of United Kingdom membership of the EEC as well as the increasingly international structure of markets and the generally more competitive international trading environment in which our industry has to

Operate.

The group will concentrate initially on possible changes in mergers and monopoly policy and the way that this is applied in the legislation.

They will also make a preliminary assessment of further aspects as competition, policy including of competition policy, including restrictive trading practices, and possible changes in the institutions governing competition policy, notably fusion of the competition and prices policy institutions.

Manpower Services **Commission** changes

Mr Brace Grocott (Lichfield and Tamworth, Lab)—To ask the Secretary of State what changes he proposes to make in the regional organization in England of the Department of Employment and the Manpower Services Commis-

Mr Albert Booth-On December 1 1977, the Department of Employment's regional directors in England will be replaced by regional manpower services directors name will be replaced by regional manpower services directors (RMSDs) of the Manpower Services Commission appoonted with my approval.

These RMSDs will represent both myself and the MSC in their contacts with local authorities, economic planning councils, employers, unlons and the regional representatives of other Government departments.

employers, unions and the regional representatives of other Government departments.

They will have general oversight of the development and operation of Manpower Services Commission's services in their regions and will take direct control of MSC special programmes for young people.

There will be seven RMSDs, one each for the Northern, North-west, Yorkshire and Humberside and South-west economic planning regions (EPRs), one for the West Midlands and East Midlands EPRs, one for London who will be the representative for the South-east EPR and one for the rest of the South-east and East Anglia who will be the representative for the South-east EPR and one for the rest of the South-east and East Anglia who will be the representative for the East Anglia EPR.

The Department of Employment at regional level will continue to administer the temporary employment subsidy, the youth employment subsidy, the small firms employment subsidy, the race relations employment subsidy and the job release scheme; the race relations employment subsidy and the job release scheme; the race relations employment subsidy and the job release scheme; the race relations employment subsidy and the job release scheme; the race relations employment subsidiery services notice.

The Speaker (Mr George Thomas) said that restrictions on the size of parties allowed to tour the Palace of Westminster with MPs would apply during the firemen's strike.

Mr Greville Janner (Leicerer Mr Graville Janner (Leicester, West, Lab) had said he had been unable to get an assurance that the restrictions would end with the end or the firemen's strike.

Mr Patrick Cormack (South-West Staffordshire, C) said that MPs Staffordshire, C) said that MPs had been told by notice at the weekend that showing people the Robing Room would be restricted and the size of parties would be limited. Most of the parties were from schools and most claives were more than 16 in number.

The Speaker said he boped the House would cooperate in the materials of the local education authority ter.

Fresh effort needed to improve handling of EEC legislation

The House of Commons should have far greater control over ministers on European Common Market matters, Mr Nigel Spearing (Newham, South, Lab), opening a debate on the EEC. He moved that where the Select Committee on European Legislation had recommended that any draft legislation or other proposal, published by the Commission of the EEC and submitted to the Council of Ministers should be further considered by the House, no minister should give agreementto such a proposal

by the House, no minister should give agreements such a proposal in the Council until the House had debated the topic on a motion related to the proposal.

He said that all groups in the House, whatever desires they might have for the future progress of the EEC and its institutious, wanted to retain the powers of scrutiny over EEC proposals and the democratic powers of the the democratic powers of the House to question ministers on what they said in the Council of Ministers.

MPs were at a considerable disadvantage in that they did not control the timetable of meetings of the Council of Ministers and he understood they had no rights as a House on provision of information from the European Commission or the Council.

When the EEC business came to the Commons the House must have the power to say, at some stage: " No, you don't ". If it did not the

prime consideration.

MPs were concerned with the health of democracy in Britain. It was scandalous that EEC business could go upstairs to a committee, return to the House at the end of the order paper and then be passed virtually on the nod.

MPs had to make sure that they
got the procedure put right and
did not have claudestine legislation

reary.
The passing of the motion would prevent a minister from deciding whether or not the House should debate a legislative proposal before

debate a legislative proposal before it was agreed to.

He betieved there should be democracy in the EEC. He did not believe the establishment of democracy in the EEC by any method need resince it in the House of Commons. If it demanded that it be reduced in the Commons them there was something wrong. thing wrong.

Sic John Eden (Bournemouth, West, C), chairman of the scrutiny committee on European legisla-tion, paid comments in the Economist, The Times and other newspapers on the effectiveness of the committee showed a woeful lack of and became gospel in the press arena.

They were wrong because the limitations imposed upon the committee by its terms of reference.

The committee did not attempt to pass collective judgment on the merits of a particular proposal. It would be difficult to do so in most write.

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They were wrong because the Book with all the arguments there. All they had to do was to get that would be difficult to do so in most write. would be difficult to do so in most cases. The committee had a membership of 16, but that small number of MPs represented most shades of opinion in relation to its views on the Common Market. The committee had to determine whether documents coming to it were of political or legal significance.

Debares on European matters should take place in the House in good time before ministers had to come to a conclusion in the Council of Ministers. This would enable cil of Ministers. This would enable them to take the views of MPs into account before the late stages of negotiations were reached.

They should have proper debates, not of one-and-a-half hours as though these were statitory instruments and no different from them. There were many matters of great importance and significance which were recommended for Coumions debate. If they were in the shape of a parliamentary Bill, they would never be brushed aside with 90 minutes' debate.

The committee needed substanasine with 50 manures' decare.

The committee needed substantial terms of reference or there should be a fully-fledged Select Committee on European Affairs.
They would then be able to combine the work of struckny, which must be preserved whatever took place, with discussion en masse.

consummed of only 16 MPs

There must be a coherent committee system so that departments of state could come under scrudiny one by one by a committee of MPs who would over a period become familiar with a particular area of public policy.

public policy.

They would never achieve the proper democratic scrutiny and control they wanted unless they radically overhauled the committee Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and Shet-

Mr Jo Grimend (Orkney and Sher-laud. L) said that one difficulty which they would face increas-ingly, particularly when there was a Scottish Assembly, was that a great many people would not know where regulations affecting their lives had come from.

The Community had to mobilize support to show it was not harm-ing people in their ordinary occu-pations and dally lives. It had to reassure people they had some means of expressing their view.

Mr Douglas Jay (Wandsworth, Bat-tersea, North, Lab) said they were dealing with legislation. Negotia-tion was one thing, and legislation eas different. It was not good enough for ministers or the Government to argue that they could not in all cases ensure that there was discos-

sion in time in the House because sometimes ministers were involved in negotiations in Brussels.

In negotiations in Brussels.

Of course they were, but that did not absolve them from the obligation to permit a discussion in the House in good time before a legislative Act was passed in Brussels.

All that was proposed here was that an undertaking given to him in June. 1974 should be embodied in a resolution of the House. The Government were being asked only to agree to a resolution which to agree to a resolution which confirmed what they professed to be doing as a result of their undertaking already.

Modest as the proposal was it was fully in accordance with the raine Minister's letter to the Secretary of the Labour Party which said it was one of the Government's main aims to achieve greater control by national parliaments over this legislation. Mr Neil Marten (Banbury, C) said

write. mak

If (he went on) they want to ter.

If (he went on) they want to hear what our arguments are they have to stay up till 11.30 at night and they would not like to do that. So we get a bad name.

Monisters must make statements to the House on what they had been up to. The worst offender was the Treasury. They went off and agreed the sixth directive on value added tax. No statement was made to the House, but a written question was planted on some supporter of the Chamcelor and was answered in a written answer. It was a monstrous way to treat the House on such an important point. They were laying down something quite firming in this motion. Be hoped it would be accepted by both sides of the House and would be deeply suspicious if either side turned it down.

Mr. Tom Arpeld (Hazel Grove, C)

turned it down.

Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove, C) said some MPs did not have that much interest in the nuts and bolts of Community legislation. He did not see how a British Government could properly defemi or advance the country's interests if they were to be prevented from taking action which they believed vital and had to wait for parliamentary approval for that action.

Mr Michael Stewart (Hammer. most be preserved whatever took place, with discussion on masse.

Mr Michael Stewart (Hammer-smith, Folham, Lab) said a minister would find it almost impossible

to conduct negotiations with foreign powers, in the EEC or not. If he was told he could not agree this or that until the House had gone through a certain procedure. One remedy lay in the guillotine. If MPs were to have proper time to debate these matters they would have to spend less on something eige. Other business would have to squeezed. The House should move towards more frequent use of timetable motions on major Bills. This would remove the temptation to waste time. tation to waste time.

Mr Bryan Gould (Southampton. Test, Lab) said that time was already made available for these debates. They were only askir; that they should be made more

Even if the result were a delay in decision-making in Brussels, that was the price to be paid for democ-racy over what should be the law and what taxes should be paid in Britain.

Sir David Renton (Huntingdon-shire, C), for the Opposition, said that now that Britain had several years' experience of memberchip of the EEC and the working of its institutions the time had come for her to let them know diplomati-cally of ways in which the EEC could improve their procedures and enable the Commons and other

could improve their procedures and enable the Commons and other national Parliaments to facilitate their twork of liaison, cooperation, scrutiny and influence.

Harmonization was being overdone, Riciculous things were harbening. Harmonization was 200th when it brought countries up to the standard of the best, like the recent directive on bird conservation which was based on United Kingdom legislation. Kingdom legislation. Mr Michael Foot, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House (Ebbw Vale, Lab), said the

Government had sought to meet the representations that had come from all parts of the House to try to improve the way in which they dealt with EEC matters. That did not mean the Govern-ment thought the present proce-dures were fully satisfactory. He

certainly did not and they had to make a fresh effort to ensure they were made satisfactory. This was a matter that touched on the power of the House of Compons; it touched on it at a sensitive series of points and in that sense it touched on the repre-sentation of the people. It was of Mr Nell Marten (Banbury, C) said it was a curious campaign from this Mr Wood. Recently his articles had been suffering from Dutch elm disease. It was extraordinary that the article Mr Wood wrote in The Times some time ago was picked up almost next week by the Economist, then translated by the Financial Times and so on

Prime Minister's letter to the general secretary of the Labour Party (Mr Hayward).

The Government were having a frush examination of the whole of these procedures. He hoped it would not be too long before they were able to come to the House with proposals on how they might make a fresh approach to the mat-

Figures showed that in the main the Government had carried out their promise that they would not agree to matters in Brussels before

agree to matters in Brussels before there had been debated in the House, although to take account of extreme circumstances there was a loophole to enable a minister to make such an agreement.

In the last session there was one proposal converting animal health and three or four on fisheries where ministers did decide to agree to a proposal and then explain the matter to the House afterwards. afterwards.

The Government would consider

Mr Spearing's resolution and see whether they could ome back to the House with a recommendation which went some way towards meeting it.
The debate was adjourned.

Parliamentary notices House of Commons

House of Lords Today 41 4.30: Motoms on weights and measures orders. Motom on fraire in factor on time off for the minor duties. Debate on ELL: committee report on youth unemiconness.

Science report

Biology: Surprising discovery on genes

New techniques for studying genetic material have led to the revolutionary discovery that annual genes, instead of being ell in one plece, are interrupted with stretches of genetit material of unknown function. Hitherto the only genes that had been available for denalled study were those of bacteria. In bacteria, the chromosomal DNA, which makes up the genetic blueprint, instructs the genetic blueprint, instructs the making of essential proteins in a simple way. The sequence of chemical building blocks in the protein.

There was no reason to suppose There was no reason to suppose that what was true for bacteria would not turn out to be true for higher organisms. But there was no way of checking that because of way of checking that because of the lack of appropriate technology.

Recently, however, with the advent of genetic engineering with recombinant DNA, it has become possible to investigate the ways in which genes are strung out upon the chromosomes of, for example, chickens and man. So far only three particular genes have been studied and in each case, against all expectations, it has emerged that the chromosomal DNA coding for the protein under study was not arranged as a coammons sequence.

The perticular example reported in Nature concerns the zene of the Chicken that codes for the protein ovalbumin, one of the major proteins in egg white, and is the work

ovalbumin.

Dr Chambon and his colleagues, however, used the RNA they had coffected to make a DNA copy of the message. The copy DNA was men reproduced by genetic engineering in sufficient quantity to be radioactively labelled and so used as a "probe" to identify the matching sequences in DNA pieces isolated from the chromosomes. Instead of attaching itself to a single piece of chromosomal DNA. single piece of chromosomal DNA, as expected, the label ed probe was as expected, the label of probe was found to stick to four different pieces. That implies that the DNA sequence, containing the instructions for synthesizing ovaloumin, is not a continuous sequence but instead is interrupted by other sequences of DNA at least three times.

times.

The interrupting sequences have been named inserts or spacers. Their lengths vary, but one in the ovalbumin sequence is longer than the total length of the coding sequence itself. Results to be outlished by at least three other laboratories before the end of the year suggest that inserts are not peculiar to the ovalbumin gene and may even be the norm.

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Professor Williamson, a member of the Genetic Mampulation Advasory Group, which seatones our British genetic engineering with recombinant DNA, also points out that the complexities of decoding throughous and believed. that the complexities of decoding chromosomal messages of higher organisms, as now disclosed by the discovery of gene inserts, are such that it is unlikely that buttering could decode animal genes. In that case it should be possible to dispel a good deal of concern that has centred on the worry that bacteria might be able to decode the genes for toxic substances inadvertently put into the bacteria in the course of genetic engineering.

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Preliminary talks on next year's EEC farm prices

member states are to meet in Brussels on December 5 and 6. Mr Frank Judd, Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, said in a statement about EEC meetings next mouth. During December, he said, seven meetings of the Council of Ministers were

Mr Judd said: Fishery ministers will meet on December 5 and 6; covironment ministers on December 12 and 13; energy ministers on December 13; foreign ministers on December 19 and 20; transport ministers on December 20 and 21; and social affairs ministers on 21; and social affairs ministers on 21; and social affairs ministers on 2 date with he system. ters on a date yet to be agreed. In addition there will be a meeting of Community health ministers on December 13.

Fisheries ministers will continue their discussions on the internal regime of the common fisheries policy.

Enterpy ministers are expected to consider various proposals relating to the protection of the environment.

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Agriculture ministers are expected to have a preliminary discussion on the common agricultural policy price proposals for 1978-79. They are also expected to consider the Commission's report on the use of the European Unit of Account in the common agricultural policy and proposals for the chaster out of monetary compen-

phasing out of monetary compen-satory amounts, as well as propo-sals for Mediterranean agriculture.

jects: financial aid to demonstra-non projects; and a directive on heat generators. They are also likely to resume their considera-tion of refining problems within the Community; financial measures to promote the use of coal for electricity generation; and aid for financing cyclical stocks of coal. Foreign ministers will consider certain external fisheries matters,

tions on a common fund. There will be a further discussion on ateel, and probably on regional policy. The ministers will also discuss the Community's bilateral textile negotiations and the question of the renewal of the multifibre arrangements; a mandate for EEC/Soain trade negotiations: EEC/Yugoslavia relations; and, possibly, enlargement, Meditarraneau agriculture and EEC/Turkey retations. They will also consider tions. They will also considered direct elections to the European Assembly and certain staff mal-Transport ministers are expected to consider Community quotas for industrial road hanlage between member states; summertime;

munity investment in transport infrastructure projects: and hijackling and terrorism. They will also
follow up the United Kingdom presidency initiative on the common
transport policy with a discussion
on the future programme of work
on transport subjects.
Social affairs ministers will consider Commission proposals on
youth employment. Incy may also
formally adopt the texts on the
review of the Social Fund.

A meeting of health manisters of
member states will take place in
Brussels on December 13. This is
not a formal meeting of the Concil as such, and will not take
formal decisions, but is a meeting
arranged within the framework of
the Council to give health ministers an opportunity to exchange adjustment of national taxation systems for commercial vehicles; community driving licences; comters an opportunity to exchange views on common problems.

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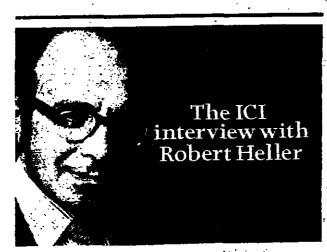
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'Effective management has to become a shared objective.'

Geoffrey Richards, ICI



Today, worker participation is the subject of intense political and industrial controversy. Since its formation in 1926, ICI has believed that effective consultation is at the root of good industrial relations, and a Joint Consultation System has been set up to ensure that the views of employees at all levels, whether factory or office staff, are known before important decisions are taken.

But how does the system work at grass roots, where the organisation has been left deliberately flexible?

Robert Heller, Editor of Management Today, asks Geoffrey Richards, Manager of ICI's Grangemouth works, how he has set about improving participation on his large complex site.

Heller: Do you regard it as practicable, with a workforce of nearly 2,000, to involve people in important decisions that you as a manager have to make?

Richards: Yes, I do. One of the priorities in industry must be to find ways of taking employees' views into account before major decisions are taken. Obviously the larger the unit the more problems

there are. At Grangemouth we're making a large number of complex chemicals - everything from dyestuff to pharmaceuticals and agricultural chemicals, and the number of people engaged in each process is correspondingly small. In effect they form natural work groups of between six and ten people, including the appropriate supervisor and junior manager. Other work groups involve office staff too. What we decided to do was to involve all these small groups in consultation.

Heller: And this makes it easier to obtain improved working relationships?

Richards: One thing I've learned is that you often get better results by discussing problems and jointly evolving ways of doing things with the people concerned. Because then people have ownership of the system, which is terribly important. They want to make it work.

Heller: What kind of information do they get? Richards: Well, for instance, at Works Committee and Staff meetings I will tell them how well we



are doing compared with our budget and previous performance. Not only that, but we discuss their own particular area of business, and the performance of their Division or ICI as a whole.

Heller: Do employees themselves contribute a great deal?

Richards: Oh yes. They come up with plenty of ideas. For example, in the 1975 recession we got together to work out how to cope with reduced demand without having to lay people off, and without damaging the business. Joint groups have helped to solve all sorts of problems - from local matters like the introduction of a better shift system to national issues like whether the company should or should not opt out of the state. pension system.

Heller: How have your employees reacted to all

Richards: On the whole, very well. But inevitably there are problems, because we're all learning. The shop stewards are learning about some of the management's problems - about economics, the real uncertainties in the business world, and so on. And managers are getting a deeper understanding of shop stewards' problems - that they have what is in effect a managerial role to perform in their own organisations. It's a very important mutual learning process.

Heller: Some people argue that what's really wrong with British industry is bad communication between management and work people. Do you think that's true?

Richards: Communication becomes much more effective if people can say, "Well I see that affects me. Now we can talk about problems together and do something about them". Effective management has to become a shared objective.

Heller: Has the works derived any concrete, measurable benefit from the introduction of Work Groups?

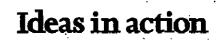
Richards: Yes. Output per capita has grown at roughly twice our rate of the mid-sixties, and the rate of profitability and therefore investment has increased quite markedly



"The rate of investment and profitability has increased quite markedly," explains Geoffrey Richards to Robert Heller.

Heller: Finally, do you ever hanker for the simpler days when all decisions were taken by management alone?

Richards: No. That sort of simplicity would no longer work. People's needs and expectations have changed quite markedly over the years. Above all, running a works is a pragmatic business. One of the fascinations of my job is that the whole process of involvement is going to go on developing - at least for my lifetime.





Cricket

Football



The Forest keeper: Woods, a 17-year-old comes in to replace

Yorath sees the danger but will not turn back

ootball Correspondent

Football Correspondent
Liverpool's long-standing preoccupation with the weightier
affairs of the championship and
Europe has undoubtedly had a
direct bearing on their cool attitude towards the Football League
Cup, in which they have never
progressed further than the fifth
round. The question they may now
ask is whether they can afford not
to put their whole hearts into
this competition, now that League
form indicates their season that
may not be full of gittering prizes. norm manages their session lifet may not be full of glittering prizes. Tonight, at Amfield, they play Coventry City in the fourth round Coventry City in the fourth round still meeting some reasourance that the recent rum of uncharacteristically slooply performances did indeed end on Saturday when they beat Leicester City 4—0 at Fithert Street. If Coventry City themselves had not been thrashed 6—0 by Everton the same day, the meeting would have been unreservedly advertised as one of the season's grand attractions on Merseyside. But now Coventry's confidence may not flow as strongly.

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Youth, the Coventry captain, who leads like a standard bearer, bravely and with experienced curning, says his team have decided upon an attocking course for the season and a 6-0 defeat by Everton is no reason to retract. If that is the case, tonight's match puts them in danger but has the promise of excitement. At their last League meeting, at Antield in September, Liverpool won 2-0.

Coventry should be strengthened in attack by the return of Ferguson after three matches. His partnership with the fiery Wallace has become the latest of the twinspearhead style of attack that has been successful eisewhere. Holton may also return after six matches y also return after six matches , for Liverpool, there is some abt over the fitness of Hughes abo has a sore throat.

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Ipswich Town and Manchester
City may be feeling that it would
be no ill store to have the League
Cup up their sleeves as as insurance against other disappointments. Last season they were chasing Livermool in the Character. ments. Last season mey wer? coasing Liverpool in the champion the champion the competition in only the second round. They are drawn together at Portman Foad and, after City's 6—2 defeat of Chelsea on Saturday and Ipswich's fine win over Earcelona in the Uefa Cup last week, theer is reason to expect a good there is reason to expect a good to the season to the season to e

Beattie, who has made a remarkable recovery from a cartilage operation and is in the party. Both of last season's finalists, Everton and Aston Villa, remain in the competition. Everton, the eventual losers after two replays, should not be upset by Sheffield Wednesday, but the match letween Nottingham Forest and Aston Villa is less predictable. Aston Villa is less predictable.

At their last meeting, on the City ground in September, Forest won 2—0 but some changes have taken place since them. Tonight Forest are unable to include Shilton, their regular goalkeeper, and Gemmil, who are cup-tied. The replacement for Gemmil could well b Bowver and in goal will be a 17-year-old, Woods, who has played one previous senior game and is an England youth international.

International.

The appearances of the young international players are encouraging, especially as in the past there has been too much wastage between youth and semior level. Mike Smith, the Weish team manager, is playing his part in encouraging inexperienced players by including Harris, Leeds United, Curtis, of Swansea City, and Nardiello of Coventry, in his party from which the will choose the team to play West Germany on December 14. They replace the more experienced Toshack, Roberts and Thomas.

Enzo Bearzot's determination not

erts and Thomas.

Enzo Beazzot's determination not to tamper with his Italian international team was criticized by his countrymen before and after the defeat by England. Yesterday it was confirmed that at least one alteration would be made in the team to play Luxembourg in the final match of England's World Cup group in Rome on Saturday. Facchetti, the most experienced Italian player, has a pulled muscle and will not appear. One cannot think that this will in any way threaten Italy, who need only win by 1-0 to qualify for Argentina and should not be under any pressure in defence, even without Facchetti's presence.

Wigan see Wednesday as a stepping stone

Wigan Athletic, looking for yet another FA Cup run to help their cliances of promotion to the Football League, have a home draw with Sheffield Wednesday, managed by Jack Charlton, in the second round on December 17. It is a fitting reward for their first round defeat of York City, of the fourth division, on Saturday. At least one non-league tonight will be a bome tie with Brentford. Boreham Wood's secretary. Carl Wikinson, said: "It would be a marvellous occasion. Brentford would pack the ground but we must beat Swindon before thinking about these was the secretary." Saturday. At least one non-league side will go into the hat with the first and second division clubs in the next round for Nuneaton Borough and Kettering Town meet in an ail-Southern League tie. Minehead await the result of the replay between Newport County and Exeter City with hopes of a crowd far bigger than the 1,050 who saw them beat Wycombe Wanderers on Saturday, especially if Events are the ton-

Tibury, of the Isthmian League, are to protest to the Football Association that Len Glover, of Kettering, was ineligible to play in the fie at Tibury which Kettering won 1—0. Geoffrey Paisley, Tilbury's secretary, said: "It is a horrible atting to do but I must lodge a protest about this. According to information received by my ing to information received by my club, Kettering obtained an inter-national clearance for Gover from America the weekend before the this stage of the compension is 14 days. Therefore, if our information is correct, he was not entitled

to play." Glover, a forme Chariton Athletic and Leiceste Chariton Athletic and Leicester City winger, recently returned to England after playing for Tampa Bay Rowdies. He was also in the Kettering team that knocked out Hitchin in the previous round. Kettering's secretary, Maurice Marston, said: "This has come out of the blue. Nothing was said at Tilbury on Saturday when relations between our officials and ar Thoury on Saturday when rela-tions between our officials and theirs were amicable. I'd rather not say any more until I have heard from Tibury." A spokes-man for the FA said: "We have yet to hear anything official from Tibury but if we do, we will investigate."

the 1,050 who saw them best Wycombe Wanderers on Saurday, especially if Exerer are the team making the short journey. Southend should know what to expect when they visit AP Leamington, also of the Southern League. They made the same journey in the first round of the 1974-75 competition and won 2—1. Enfield's prize for their first victory over a League club is a trip to Northampton. Enfield ended a 77-year wait with their 3—0 victory over Wimbledon and now travel to a ground with a capacity of 20,000. Alan Diment, Enfield's secretary, said: "We hoped for a better draw than that. We would have preferred a home tie but I suppose it could have been worse." Incentives for non-league sides facing midweek replays include a home game with Peterborough for Weymouth, if they can beat Gillingham tomorrow, and a home tie against Reading for Weald-stone, if they beat Hereford the same night. Wealdstone went out at Reading in the first round last season, losing 1—0 and having two men sent off. Their manager, Alan Forgarty, said: "Obviously, our summit is Wednesday's replay Second round draw of FA Cup

AP Leamington v Southend.
Bath or Plymouth v Cambridge United.
Blyth Spartans v Chesterfield.
Boreham Wood or Swindon v Brentford.
Carlisle v Chester.
Crewe v Scarborough.
Gillingbarn or Weymouth v Peter-

Walsh not for sale, Brown tells McGarry

Newcastle's new manager, Bill McGarry, has had a cool reception from Blackpool in his enquiries about their Republic of Ireland striker, Michael Walsh. Mr McGarry spoke to Blackpool manager, Alkan Brown, over the weekend. Mr Brown said: "As for as I am concenned there is no chance of a deal."

He also squashed rumours that he would be interested in bringing Burns back from Newcastle to Bloomfield Road in a swap deal." Bill McGarry wants a striker for the first division, but we have to keep our best players to get us there.

Today's fixtures

Allison flies to Memphis to discuss offer

Malcolm Allison left London yesterday for Memphis, Tennessee, where he will discuss a lucrative offer to coach a new team being set up there. Before leaving Heathrow, the former Crysma Palace and Manchester City manager said: "I expect I will finalize the commact this week and I'll begin working in America in January. At the moment there are no players signed up so I'll be starting from scratch."

Mr Allison who has been condided: "I'll be trying to get a squad of 11 European and six American players. I'm very excited at the prospects. It will be a great challenge." Scottish tie date me next two monns. Since the England party arrived here last Friday, Willis has pushed himself through a training schedule that is normally associated with a

Last night's Scotish League
Cup semi-final between Forfar
Athletic and Rangers at Hampden
Park was postponed because of
the threat of fog. The match has
been retarranged for the same
ground on Monday, December 5. Everton game all ticket Everton's mench with Man-chester United at Goodison Park on Boxing Day will be all ticket with a crowd limit of 52,800. Milwell have sold all their stand dickets for their home match against Tottenham Hotspur on Boxing Day.

wins another

Melbourue, Nov 28.—Evonne Cawley increased her earnings to more than 40,000 dollars in eight days when she won the delayed women's final at Kooyong today. She took only 44 minutes to dispose of her fellow Australian, Wendy Turnbull, 6—4, 6—1. Mrs Cawley said after the match that the delays had made her edgy. "But I still felt good once I got "But I still felt good once I got on the court. I was a bit surprised at how easy it all was," she said. Miss Turnbull said that the slippery grass surface on the centre court had worried her. "I was afraid to run because I was worried that I might slip and injure myself", she said.

The match started two hours late because of rain and, although the court was covered overnight, it was exposed when drizzle stopped play as the two finalists were warning up. Once the match started Mrs Cawley, who won a tournament in Sydney last week, left no doubt that she was back to her best form. She needed only 17 minutes to win the second set before 1,000 speciators who braved the cold, wet conditions.

New York, Nov 27.—Tracy Austin, the 14-year-old American schoolgirl who played at this year's Wilmhledgen and Econet Hills. schoolgirl who played at this year's Wimbledon and Forest Hills tournaments, today won the United States junior indoor tennis

Two top players out of South

seeded third and fourth respec-tively, gave injuries as the reasons.

Mr Williams said he also feared the withdrawal of a Chilean, Hans Gildermeister, who had cabled saying the Chilean Tennis Federa-tion had instructed him to play in the Pan-American Games, held at the same time as the South African open. "But Gildermeister said he would rather compete here. He has asked the Chilean authorities to release him from that commitment", said he would rather compete here. He has asked the Chrisan authorities to release him from that commitment."

The top six seeds are: Vilas, Dibbs, Stan Smith, Filiol, Borowisk and Motham.—AP.

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The chief coach, Don Wilson (right) and his assistant, Kevin Brooks, at the new indoor cricket school which was opened at Lord's last night.

Board to discuss new indoor event English cricket authorities, after that they are willing to put \$50,000

into a champion of champions

tournament, to be competed for

their defeat in the High Court, will consider what future action will consider what return action take when the Test and County Cricket Board hold their winter meeting at Lord's today. They may not make a decision about whether or not to appeal against the court verdict because they will first want to consolt the International Cricket Conference, whose arthorist is parificially

authority is worldwide.

There may be a new indoor competition for county cricketers in 1978. The Board will consider suggestions for a short tournament before the season starts. The idea is to give all counties a chance to meet under one roof, for two or three days of competitive play, with matches of limited overs and possibly six or eight-a-side. The new scheme may take place in the exhibition centre at Brighton.

The amnouncement, by BMW,

Willis on

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Rawalpindi, Nov 28.—Fast bowling in Pakistan is a notoriously

profitless occupation but, if hard work is rewarded by success, Bob

Willie can change all that during

the next two months. Since the

heavyweight boxer before a major

tournament, to be competed for by the witners of the county championship, the John Player League, the Gillette Cup and the Benson and Hedges competitions, is another item on the agenda. There is a proposal to rename the county championship to the Schweppes championship.

Schweppes championship.

If counties agree, unpires will be the sole judges of the fitness of grounds, pitches and light for play, in all but one aspect. The batting side will still have the right to continue in bad light if they wish. The rate at which overs are bowled in the championship and Test matches comes up for another airing, as well as the possibility of increasing the championship to 24 matches in 1979.

Whatever is decided, Cornhill Whatever is decided, Cornhill Insurance, cricker's new sponsors,

will back England's selectors and the players they choose. The assurance came yesterday from the general manager, Cecil Burrows. He stressed that his company was pledged to support English cricket—not only at the highest level—for the next five years. "I am sure", he said "that the TCCB will come to whatever decision is best for the game in this country." whatever decision is best for the game in this country."

One result of the Cornhill sponsorship is that the TCCB will be able to pay England's cricketers a fee of £1,000 for every Test match played at home from next summer. Another is a tour fee of £5,000 for England's cricketers, now in Palvieten So those mem. now in Palestan. So those members of the present touring party who also play in all six Tests in England next year, against Pakistan and New Zealand, will have an assured income of

Manipulating cricket is

From John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent Melbourne, Nov 28

"A watery grave; Packer money wasted": the headline in The Age, above an article by Peter Thomson, five times winner of the British Open championship, referred not to Mr Kerry Packer's cricketing enterprise but to the cricketing enterprise but to the Australian Golf Club in Sydney where he has promoted the last two Australian Open championships and will stage one more before his contract with the Australian Golf Union comes up for

ing as briskly as if the tour was halfway through. The disclosure In return for a large sum of money the Australian Golf Union leased their main championship to Mr Packer early in 1976. In the style for which he is famous he set about turning it to his advantage, which he had done by boosting the prize money, buying up three or four of the hig names of American golf and making a telethat Willis used hypnosis to help publicity recently. But the Australian doctor wino advised hypno-therapy also stressed the importance of hard exercise—and Wilkis has responded eagerly.

Most players have contented themselves with one or two sessions in the nets each day. However, Willis has returned to his hotel room, changed into storts and training shoes, and loped off among the carts and bloydes that crowd the roads here.

For half an hour he drives himself as hard as his weary limbs will allow and only then does he feel his day's work is done. It is a schedule that he says he intends to keep up even on the days of Test matches when he may be bowling two or three hard spells under a burning sun.

"I started doing it when I got back from Australia last March", he said today. "I was exhausted by the second day of the centenary Test and it is essential that I run to build up my stamina."

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Willis will meed plenty of stamina on the lifeless pinches that are normally prepared for Test matches in Pakistan. They are flat strips of rolled med which on the fifth day can be as unresponsive as at the start. In 1973, when England were last here, Geoffrey Accord's two for 95 were the best figures by a recognized opening bowler in three Tests. Willis deserves better than that.—Reuter. rum to build up my stamina."

Gavasker and Prasanna in fitness fight

Brisbane, Nov 23.—Sunil Gavaskar and Erapalif Prasama, the Indian players, were undergoing intensive treatment today in an attempt to get fit fo othe first cricket Test against Australia starting here on Friday.

The captain, Righen Redi, said a decision on Prasama's fitness would be delayed until Friday morning if necessary, but India hope to amounce their team by lunchime on Tinusday, Prasama, one of India's four world class spin bowlers, guilled a hamstring muscle during fielding practice last Saturday. Gavaskar, an opening bataman, also has a leg injury. Surinder Amanath, a bataman, is definitely out with a broken finger.

not Packer's only game Packer's home course, to the considerable benefit of his Channel Nine. His attempt to manipulate the game of cricket in the same sort of way has today had a quiet time. A plea from Greg Chappell, in a newspaper article, that as a result of last week's High Court ruling the Australian Cricket Board should now consider their Packer players for Test and Sheffield Shield selection, as and when they are available, is unlikely to come to anything.

three of four or the ing names of American golf and making a television extravaganza out of it. His ratings for the recent Australian Open, won by David Graham, an Australian who lives in Texas, were double anything that golf had ever attracted before.

Therefore that of Mr. Boslova Though glad of Mr Packer's money, and pleased to have a stronger field than before, the Anstralian Golf Union are facing stronger held man before, the Australian Golf Union are faxing a revolution among those of their number who feel themselves to be losing control of affairs. What Peter Thomson and a great many others believe is that the Australian Open should rotate round the different states, not least to stimulate the game. What Mr Packer wants is to keep it at the Australian Golf Club in Sydney, where he is himself a member and which under the guidance of Jack Nickdaus has been converted from a pleasantly exacting test of golf into a course which only the best players on a good day can cope said. As is the case at the Belfry, Brumingham, the artificial water hazards at the Australian Golf club are fast filling up with balls of disenchanted club members.

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Mr Packer is due, therefore, in a year's time, for a further bangaining session with Australian golf officials. There can be little doubt that the best thing for the game out here is for the Australian to the country of the game out here is for the game out here yetherday. As another that the finds on the Yich the game here yetherday at the stellar fields go it was a pretty good one.

Cricket with white ball and black sight screen

Melbourne, Nov 28.—Kerry Packer's experimental night of the packer's experimental night cricket matches look like being coloured affairs, played with a white hall against the background of a black sightscreen and with the players possibly wearing coloured clothes.

The shape of the one day evening matches emerged here tonight after the players practised under the powerful floodlights at victorian Football Lengue park.

The Packer organization had planned to use a yellow ball for the first of the four night matches will start at 2 pm and it is likely that an ordinary ball will be used until the floodlights are turned on, probably around 6 pm, for the last three hours of play.

The practice was a light hearted affair with the players calling out to each other where is it as they took high catches.

The Australian players land Chappell and Rodney Marsh used baseball gloves for the practice, and Tony Greig suggested that coloured clothing was worth considering because of the visual interest and ordinary red cricket balls the players agreed the white ball was easier to see.

Two youngsters signed

two young players for next season.

Glean Presiand is a 20-year-old pace bouler, who has played for Huntingdonshire. Robent Carter is a 17-year-old medium pace bowler and bassman who played several games for Northamptonshire's second team last season.

Derbyshire County Cricket Chib's general committee will continued on the field, and there are big plans for developments of the field as well."

Rugby Union Cambridge leave_ out unlucky Greig

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By Peter West
Rugby Correspondent
Paul Parker, a ceicket Blue,
who had a cartilage operation only
19 days ago, that made such a
remarkably swift recoursy that he
has been included on the left wing
in the Cambridge XV to more
Orderd in the available of the left. in the Camproge Av w san. Oxford in the university rugby match at Twickenham on December 6. Alastair Hignell, the captain and England full back, who confirmed his fitness to play.

All this means that Higner has been able to pick what he con-siders to be his strongest ade, slubough Parker has sall timely to prove his fitness. Parker had an outing with his college second an outing with my college second
XV yesterday and apparently came
through it without ill effects.
The nominated side shows two
changes from the XV who
achieved a most heartening victory
over Harlequins at the weekend.
O'Callaghan, an All-Blacky' wing,
who missed that game with a minor
injury, returns on the right thank;
he and Highell will be playing in
their fourth university match. their fourth university match. Parker comes in for lan Greig, brother of Tony, on the other

brother of Tony, on the other wing.
Greig, a good footbailer who has played at centre and, for three games, on the wing, must count himself unlucky. Cambridge obviously are concerned about the lacking ability of Gareth Davies, the Oxford stand-off hall, and they know that Parker is a secure performer to the contraction. performer against such tactics. Joe Davies, a Welshman, who at last attains his objective, in the centre. He has moved to that posi-tion with encouraging results since John Robbie, an Irish weer mational, arrived on the scene to embellish affairs at scrum half. Davies had intie chance of winding the scrum half position in opposition to a player of such outstanding talent, but it speaks much for his abilities as a fourballer that he has been able to adapt to the control

baller that he has been able to adapt to the centre.

Mark Horner seemed to have recovered from a Jaw injury to mount a strong challenge for a centre position alongside Marthew Fosh, but as the result of concustion in a recent outing cannot even play for the LX Club against the Oxford Greyhounds. If anyong deserges summathy it is the one deserves sympathy, it is this gutty little Ulsterman, who now has missed his chance of a Blue in three successive seasons. On the other side of the ledger, there will be pleasure that the lanker, Stead, who missed his chance of a Blue in the last the Xenophon, and seen the blue sea ahead.

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CAMBRIDGE: *A. J. Higher (Denstone and Fitzwilliam, C.). tain); *M. W. O'Callaghan (Christchurch Boys HS, New Zenland and Emmanuel), J. S. Daties (Christ College, Brecon, and St Joan's), M. K. Fosh (Harrow and Magdalene), P. W. G. Parker (Collyer's and St Catharine's); *J. N. F. Breakey (Fettes and Christ's), J. C. Robbie (Dublin HS and Christ's); R. S. Beroman (Merchant Taylors', Northwood, and Trimity), K. F. Geogheran (Gonzaga College, Dublin, and King's), P. A. V. Staw (Open Elizabeth GS, Wakefield, and Downing), J. N. Ford (Milifield and Emmanuel), N. R. M. Heath (Solihoft and Downing), R. J. Stead (Radicy and Selwyn), *E. T. Butler (Moamouth and Fitzwiliam), S. V. Glanvill (Exeter and Pembrolic). anything.

For contractual reasons anyone playing for Mr Packer is pre-

playing for Mr Packer is precluded, while so committed, from
playing for Australia and by the
time the Packer series ends
Australia's forthcoming series
against India will be over. What
may well happen is that the series
between West Indies and Australia, starting in West Indies in
March, will find a West Indian
side, complete with all its Packer
players, playing against Australia
without any of theirs—the
Australian side, that is, which is
about to take shape against India.
In that case West Indies will feel
the Packer pinch only in a year's
time, when their leading players
will have returned to Australia to
do the rounds here again instead
of going to Pakistan to play on
the West Indian tour there.

While the usual controversy OXFORD: K. Hopkins (Maester Comprehensive and St Edmund Hall): *R. Hoolahan (Reigate GS and St Edmund Hall), *T. A. Bryan (Hampton GS and St Edmund Hall, captain), A. Watkin-Bryan (Hampton GS and St. Edmund Hall, captain), A. Watkinson (Belmont Abbey and St. Edmund Hall), "D. C. Willis (Haberdashers' Aske's and Worcester'): W. G. Davies (Gwendreath GS and St. Catherine's), S. J. Faktor (Larymer Upper and University); "E. C. Horne (Emmanuel and Jesus), B. Light (Lewis School, Pengam, and St. Edmund Hall), "T. P. Enevoldson (RGS Newcastle and Brasenose), "R. C. Robinson (Oundle and Lincoln), K. J. Budge (Rossall and University), D. Mitchell (University of Cape Town and St. Catherine's), M. J. P. Moor (Ampleforth and Lincoln), "G. White (Diocesan College, Cape Town and University), Replacements: E. Quist-Arcton (King's College, Taumon, and Keble), A. Thomas (Colston School, Bristol, and Keble), J. Matheson (Otago University) and Worcester), J. Colemon (Sherborne and St. John's), P. Woodhead (Bradford GS and Lincola), C. Finch (Marling School, Stroud, and Queen's).

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While the usual controversy surrounds the Brishane pitch for Friday's first Test march against India (Beti ond Chamiraselchar have just bowled Queensland out on it for 119 and 111, so kieally was it suited to them) so the Packer deaus prepares to move to Geelong for a two-day match starting tomorrow between an Australian XI and a West Indian XI. Billed as superstars the Australian team is: Robinson, Redpath, Lafrd, McCoslor, Hookes, Trevor Chappell (the woungest of the three brothers), Kent, Gämnur, O'Keefe, Prior, Pascoe and Malone.

Some are staying behind in Mel-

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Yachting

Traite de Rome is still the race leader

Auckland, Nov 28.—Heavy seas have battered yachts in the later stages of the 7,400 mile Capetown to Auckland leg of the Round the World race.

The crew of the British yacht,
Kings Legend, which was the third
boat to arrive here, have been
pumping out water from the aft
section of the boat for two weeks,
Two fibreglass experts will be
flown from Finland to help repair flown from Finland to help repair cracks near the rudder.

Mearwhile, the 65 foot Swiss ketch, Disque D'or, was today the fifth boat to finish this second stage of the four-leg race.

The first boat to arrive was the 77 foot British Heath's Condor on Friday, skippered by Robin Knos-Johnston. Britain's 77 foot Great Britain II arrived in second position on Saturday. King's Legend and the Dutch-owned Fiver arrived yesterday.

The European Common Market entry, Traine de Rome, is not due for several days but remains curters read leader on handicap.

for several days but remains cur-rent race leader on handicap, according to last reports.

The British ADC Accutrac, skip-pered by Clare Francis, rounded the northern tip of New Zealand early yesterday.

Behind her the 55 foot British boat, Adventure, was still 300 miles from the Northern Cape

Southampton win

Caen, Nov 28.—Southampton Athletic Club won the team event at an international cross-country meeting here yesterday. The individual winner of the nine kilometre (5.6 miles) race was Aniceto Simoes, of Portugal. Britain's Neil Copland Britshed fourth —Reuter.

Close beats champion Melbourne, Nov 28.-Robert

Methoarme, Nov 28.—Robert Close, of England, yesterday won through to the final of the world beliards championsh when he beat the defending champion. Norman Dagley, of England, by 1,912 points to 1,781. Close meets Michael Ferreira, of India, in the final. The Indian bear Clive Everton, of Wales, 2,155 to 1,310.—Reuter.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE: Buffalo Sabres
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Rampers 4. Detroit Red Wings 1;
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righs 4. Wirminger Job 3.

Ali's latest battle will be outside the ring

Madrid. Nov 28.—The world heavyweight champion, Muhammad Ali, faces the possible loss of his World Boxing Council (WBC) dide at the WBC's amusd convention opening here to morrow. An application by Ali for an extension of a WBC deading to make the number one contender, Ken Norton, has met with a varied response in council circles and a lively debate is expected.

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The WBC president, Jose Sulaiman, said: "The point is we all admire the man—he's done an immeasurable amount for boxing but we can let him joke around fighting whom he likes. When he likes. I he's a true champion he must fight the number one contender—otherwise he devalues the meaning of the word champion he must fight the number one contender—otherwise he devalues the meaning of the word champion."

The convention will also consider the perennial problem of relations with boxing's other to become chief contender. But Ali has asked for an extension until February 15, erguing he has already met Norton three times, beating him twice, and wants to give other boxers a chance.

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until February 15, arguing he has already met Norton three times, beating him twice, and wants to give other boxers a chance.

Council sources said the convention was likely to grant the extension, but with the warding that Ali would lose his title if he did not sign to meet Norton by February 15.

Some council members feel that Ali has been shirking his duties

World Boxing Association (WBA). Mr Sulaiman said: "Frankly I'm tired of the WBA—they aren't a world organisation anyway as the Europead, British and Commonwealth and African boxing federations are only affiliated to the WBC. But they exist and while the did not sign to meet Norton by a finite order which are essential to boxing."

The starting date for the third leg of the race to Rio de Janeiro will be decided when ten of the fifteen yachts have arrived in Anckland.—Reuter. Toung Wels am will pose the fifteen yachts have arrived in Anckland.—Reuter. problems for champion

National Sporting Club, London, betstonight, and some supporters to i
believe that this will be the end of the line for him. Down in him.
Wales, where the challenger, May Johnny Owen, comes from, they point to Maguire's fading record, is his age (29), his long career, and the fact that he no longer he had presses home his attacks the way was to be used to.

presses home his attacks the way he used to.

Owen is 21 years old, unbeaten, and has his roots in the valleys. His admirers compare him with Jimmy Wilde, but lose sight of the fact that he has had only mine bouts, three of them against the same opponent, George Sutton, whom Maguire stopped in four rounds early this year. In fact that was the last bout Maguire won.

But it will take a little more before Owen becomes as big a certainty as some of his supporters believe him to be. But he will still give Maguire trouble, for he is tall, wiry and strong

Paddy Maguire, of Belfast, with all the ambition and incendefends his British bantamweight tive of a 21-year-old who has his title for the first time, at the career to come. He also remembers and sporting Club, London, bers—and is probably not allowed tonight, and some supporters to forget—what other Welsh believe that this will be the end the line for him. Down in

Magnire has been having hard bouts for a long time because that is his style. It took him until late 1975 to win the British title and he has not defended it since. He he has not detended it sume. He was unlucky not to become European champion at his first attempt in January 1976 but he was well bearen when he tried again this September. It was one of three successive defeats though, in fairness to Magnire's prospects to night, the class of opposition was higher than enything Owen has met.

Tennis

Mrs Cawley singles title

championships at Port Washington here. She best amother American. Pam Shriver, 7—5, 3—6, 6—4.—Agence France Presse.

African event

Johannesburg, Nov 28.—Raul Ramirez, of Mexico, and Harold Solomon, of the United States, withdrew from the South African open today. In cables so the tournament director, Owen Williams, Ramirez and Solomon, seeded third and fourth respectively, gave injuries as the reasons.

Mr Williams said he also feared the withdrawal of a Chilean, Hans Gildenneister, who had cabled stying the Chilean Tennis Federation had instructed him to play in the Pan-American Games, held at the same time as the South African on a "Rat Chilean South of Friday", Mr Ford said today,—Renier.

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Weighty arguments do not devalue Royal Exchange

By John Karter

Josh Cafford, who is popping our winners with file ease of Joe Davis porting smooker balls down a manhole, should further consolidance into lead in the trainers' table at Plumpson today. Offord has runners in both energlechases and popping in the Staynes Hill Hendicap and he could well win with both.

Seems no reason to suppose he will not easy the three miles. Barmer would take a great deal man of beating it whe were to produce the sort of form she showed when winning taking at the Chelsesham the saving the saving ago, but the his done very little since Mannyboy in the Staynes Hill Hendicap and he could well win with both.

Gafford also has runners at

both.

Royal Exchange carries plemy of weight, but was so impressive in her most recent race, when she made all the running to beat fredgar by 15 lengths at Fontwell Park, that it is difficult to visualize any of her rivals today proving superior. Another factor in her favour is that her amateur rider's claim will reduce her weight by 71b.

claim will reduce her weight by fib.

Tonghest opposition to Royal Exchange will probably come from Amadi, who was perhaps incky to win at Fakenham recently as Railway City appeared to be going every bit as well when he came down at the last fence. Amadi did have the rest of the field well beaten, however. The consistent Dornle, from another in-form stable, that of Peter Arthur, seems sure to run well and Mr Moke is not out of it on his best form.

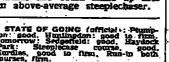
Mannyboy's fitness has to be taken on trust as he is making his seasonal reappearance, but all the components of Cifford's well-oiled machine seem to need just a single worth. components of Gifford's well-oiled machine seem to need just a single touch of the starter button to set them moving at full power. Maunyboy seems well-treated on his best form of last season and few who saw him produce that searing run to beat Ebony Rock at Sandown Park in February will look much further for the winner. Brown jack, twice a winner over two miles on this course, should be straighter in condition than when he finished well behind fertimist at Wincanton and there

Hall to the Mackeson Gold Cap at Cheltenham.

Gifford also has russers at Huntingdon today and his best chance of success there could he with Legal Branch in the Paxton.

Novices' Hurdle, Preference, however, is for Roundtown, who was, no match for Lucky Donation at Southwell recently, but who did very well to heat the subsequent winners Balloud and Gissando at Utpoxeter in his previous race.

David Morley, the trainer of Roundtown, saudies three other runners at the meeting and all should go close to winning. Morley's best chands of further success may lie with Doo'Cot Park in the Pettrborough Handicap Steeplechase, The sixyear-old is not the safest of jumpers, however, and it may be being to fey on Pacify, a course and distance winner who is running into form. Morley's novice steeplechaser, Royal Resque, run with promise when a fourth to Prehiass at Nottingham, and has an obvious chance in the Terworth Novices' Steeplechase, Fair Kitty, is a smarthurdler who appears to have a future over fences, but both may find Grando King too strong Martin Tare's eight-year-old has had a distinguished career over hurdles and could make up into an above-average steeplechaser.



Triple First makes the third highest price

igures and good yearling returns, e remainder of the eight-da sale has featured an assortment sale has featured an assortment of mares, fillies, horses in and-out of training, and stallions. It will be around tea-time on Friday when the location of the location when reaching 23,000 guineas for Bundling a young grey Petingo mare, in foal to be former Vincent O'Brien stallome Guard. Bundling, who won Home Guard. Bundling, who won at Leopardstown as a three-year-old in 1973 and is a half-sister to a Steward's Cup winner, Apollo Nine, was purchased for the Sussex-based Priorsfield Stud. The mare was one of five submitted from Mr T. C. Clyne's Baltyheale Stud in co Limerick and the same vendor received a further 19,500 guineas for his Vienna mare. Light Opera, who has been successfully mated with mother O'Brien champion. Thatch.

Plumpton programme

1.0 STANMER HURDLE (Haudicap : £344 : 2m)

102232 Kallagem M Haynes, 8-11-15
12/302 Fainful Mata, M. Pipe, 8-11-10
000300- Goldenville, H Willis, 7-10-12
000300- Waterwille, H Willis, 7-10-12
00-0010 Titles, H Willis, 7-10-12
00-0010 Titles, H Willis, 7-10-12
10-0010 Titles, H Willis, 7-10-5
10-0010 Titles, H Willis, 7-10-5
10-0010 Titles, H Willis, 7-10-5
10-0010 Bullington Ben, G. Ripicy, 4-10-5
15 Kellagem, 3-1 Faithiul Mata, 5-1 Bouldon, 8-1 Blasta
1 Tickets, 16-1 Ressula, 25-1 Buillington Ben, Waterwille,

20 BALCOMBE HURDLE (Handicap: £586: 21m)

130 "GALLEANO" CUP STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £634:

Royal Exchange. J. Gifford. 9-12-7 Mr H. Davies 7
Brandy Fare, B. Shaw. 7-11-12 Mr A. J. Wilson
Mr Mohe (D.) C. Shaw. 7-11-12 Mr R. J. Oster
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Almania. P. Mitchell 1-11-3 R. G. Bughes
Weish Dresser, H. C. Nelli. 6-10-9 G. McCourt
Builalo Bill. P. Dryden. 8-10-8 G. McCourt
Old Sendegy. N. Bollon. 8-10-7 R. Rowell
Daventry, J. Long. 5-10-0 G. Gracey 5
Bloomingdale. J. Long. 7-10-0 P. Haynes
Lychange. 7-2 Almany 5-14 Mr Moke. 8-1 Brandy Fare, Dornle.
mokey. 20-1 Builalo Bill. Weish Dresser, 25-1 Daventry, 33-1

230 SCAYNES HILL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £796: 3m)

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3.0 NOVEMBER HURDLE (Div I: 3-y-o novices: £475: 2m)

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Dontel, C. Narwood 10-10 N Hollman 7

Eastly Mart. C. Rubey, 10-10 A And Arthus, 10-10 C. Rubey, 10-10 C

3.0 NOVEMBER HURDLE (Div 1 : 3-y-o novices : £475 : 2m)

3.30 NOVEMBER HURDLE (Div II: novices: £475: 2m)

Plumpton selections

racecourse for John Dunlop's stable, was bought by an Irish breeder, Mr E. Nanghaon. The nine-year-old mare's first foal was Little Tern, who won twice for the same Arundel team. same Arundel team.

Triple First, who finished fourth in the Oaks and won seven races and nearly £40,000, was sold for 118,000 guineas—the third-highest price ever realized for a horse in training offered at public anction in the British Isles. The ten-year-old record is held by Vagnely Noble at 136,000 guineas and a filly called Swingtime fettbed 132,000 guineas in Ireland two years ago.

Triple First was bought by Ray Barnes, a local agent, on behalf of the Hesmoods Stud of East Hoathly, near Lewes, and will not race again. Mr Barnes said: "Mating plans are undecided for the filly but the stud, of which I Hoathly, near Lewes, and will not race again. Mr Barnes said: "Mating plans are undecided for the filly but the stud, of which I am a director, has shares in many top-class stallions. If the ban on the importation of bloodstok to the United States were to be lifted, Triple First would go over to be covered by Nijinsky: I remember being the under bidder for Triple First when she was sold as a foal."

A three-year-old bay filly by High Top out of Field Mouse. Triple First was trained by Michael Stoute for Raymond Chifford-Turner.



Gay Signal (left) takes the last almost level with Merry Kerry before going on to win the White Hart Handicap Hurdle at Windsor.

Eagle's Feather's shock treatment

Taking over from the favourite, Corramacorre, at the finred from home, he increased his lead. Up to last week Eagle Feather had been purshing Forster by his cantion in schools. "He was very careful and I thought it must be his back or legs. So he had two lots of electrical treatment on his back and it did the trick."

He continued: "Eagle Feather was trained by Jack Cann and the only reason he was transferred to me was because the owner, Bill Stokes, lives at Reading and could see his horse more often instead of going to Devon." But Mr Stokes, a restred timber merchant, had a business appointment which prevented him seeing the victory.

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It was as well for Kyriakes, otherwise he would have been leaving the comfort of Auriol Sinclair's stable. "I advised the owner, Mrs Irene Antoni, who returns from Athens tonight, to sell him if he didn't who today. I decided on new tactics; bringing Kyriakos from behind, and it paid off". Miss Sinclair said. off", Miss Sinclair said.

First Break left the favourite,
Rullahman, 15 lengths in his wake
in the Russell Selling Hurdle,
First Break, a versatile and muchtravelled horse, carried the
colours of Egli Ronneberg, the
proprietor of the restaurants at
Overvoll racecourse in Norway
where his horse had been successful.

merchant, had a business appointment which prevented him seeing the victory.

Backers were counting their winnings when the favourite, Sweeping Along, approached the last flight in the second-division of the Royal Borough Novices Hurdle with a four-length lead over Kyriskos. But Sweeping Along fell ("just greenness", six weeks ago."

"I bought him for 10,000 guineas as a three-year-old and, rained by Michael Scundamore, he won at Ludlow in March, 1976. Later that year, First Break stored three times on the flat in Norway and again in my country this spring." Mr Rouneberg said. "He then had tendon trouble and I sent him to 'Taffy' Salaman six weeks ago."

Prist Break gave his amareur partner, Martin Ley, his second success. Robert Money and Robert Mann were both admitted to the local King Edward VII hospital for X-ray examinations after falls in the race. Money was detained with a suspected broken leg but Mann was discharged.

last few yards of the first division Golden Spice. With a lead of four lengths landing on the flat, the race looked over but Ravir's head went up and John Francome drove Golden Spice and was rewarded

Golden Spice and was rewarded with victory by a neck.

After finishing second in her two previous attempts, Lady Nugent's Gay Signal went one better when catching Merry Kerry after an exciting contest in the White Hart Handicap Hurdle. But Gay Signal has only a few weeks left to add to her four wins to date. "The mare is to go to stud and mother wants her back before Christmas. And she does not want Gay Signal to go over fences", David Nugent, the trainer, said.

Guest may have new star in Casamayor

Raymond Guest, an American owner, who won two Cheltenham, Gold Cups and a Grand National with L'Escargot, and Derby's with Larkspur and Sir Ivor, has another nice young jumper to carry his colours in Casamayor. He easily won the two miles five furlongs Staveley Handicap Steeplechase at Wolverhampton yesterday by five lengths from The Pilgarlic after his most serious rival, Lucius, had fallen when leading at the tenth fence. when leading at the tenth fence.
"He's a beautiful horse" la

Mr Guest arrives from America towards the turn of the year.
And then, Casamayor will be running over a longer distance. His trainer, Peter Bailey, commented: "He was a fast two miler in America, but I think he'll stay three miles and that will be his distance next time he runs." most of the rauning in the recent Black and White Whisky Handicap Hurdle at Ascot, was favoured by

some Hill Handicap Hurdle won a long way out, scoring by eight lengths from Popples Love, with Statfold Pride, backed from 14-1 to 7-1 third after having every chance. Rotomar Boy was confidently ridden by Steve Davis,

Huntingdon programme

1.15 TETWORTH STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £534: 21m) 7-4 Fair Kitty, 5-2 Royal Rescue, 7-2 Grando King, 5-1 Toursen, 10-1 Bird of Prey, 16-1 others. 1.45 HOUGHTON HURDLE (£362: 2m 200vd) 1 310,000 Bargilleais, G. Wallace, 4-11-8
5 app-0 Linbais, O. O'Neill, 4-11-5
6 04346 Mercodem, M. Chapman, 4-11-5
8 2003 Captele Ches to, P. Allineham, 3-10-5
10 0 O'Heary, G. Balding, 5-1011 00 Paguita, Mrs. A. McKinlay, 5-10-5
12 0014 Philorner, S. Naturiss, 3-10-5 2.15 PETERBOROUGH STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £640

12.45 PAXTON HURDLE (Div I: 4y-o novices: £365: 2m 200yd)

2.45 BEDFORD STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: E609: 2m 100yd) 2 22010-0 Takasaki, J. Perrett, 9-11-10 K. Whyte 5 3 01314-0 Helty Park, Miss C. Crooks, 9-11-1 M. Lowry 5 22244 Sees For Seig. I Wardle, 5-11-7 M. Leak 5 4sp24-0 Galloway Edition, G. Baiding, 8-11-5 D. Ranger 5 7 0034-0 Kinkinyis, J. George, 8-11-1 K. Mooney 5 3.15 PAXTON HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-o novices: £365: 2m 200yd) 4.1 Mister Parsby, 5-2 Helium, 4-1 Elvers, 6-1 Kolligan Kangargo, 8-1 Stailbec, 10-1 Kwirodeli, 16-1 others.

J.SU NOVEMBER HURDLE (Div II: novices: £475; Zm)

Davestry Scaunk, W. Charles, 11-5 ... M. Charles 5

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Balanamour, P. Mitchell, 10-10 ... R. G. Hughes Doughty, T. M. Jones, 16-10 ... M. O'Malborne Cond Intent, P. Gravell, 10-10 ... M. O'Malborne Cond Intent, P. Gravell, 10-10 ... James Guest 10-1 Huntingdon selections

By Our Racing Staff 12.45 Roundtown, 1.15 Garando King, 1.45 O'Henry, 2.45 Pacify, 2.45 Takasaki, 3.15 Elvers

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

12,45 Roundtown, 1.15 Royal Rescue, 2.15 Doo'Cot Park, 3.15 Kolligan

1.15 (1.17) COVEN STEEPLECHASE (1) addrsp: £664: 30() Wolverhampton Nick On, b g. by Iskawolk II—Blue Nics · K. Lewis , IG-12-0 Nesty Python. B. Hyoft · 6-1 ; 7 Henty Python. B. Smart (8-1 ; 2 Patronage, . . P. Blacker (11-8 fac) 3 12.43 (12.48) WULFRUNA NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE (2017) (201) Laufs Charte (J. Hurley, 5-1)-1 C. Tink or (1)-1 fut.

Bt Our Racing Staff 1.9 Zoundon: 1.30 Royal Exchange, 2.0 Hill Station, 2.30 Mannyboy, 3.9 Sovereigns Escort, 3.20 Mount Pelle, By Our Newmarket Correspondent 3.30 Mr Playbirds.

Patronage. . . P. Balester (12-5) and S. ALSO RAN'. 444 Ballyagram Brook (4th., 11-1 - Don Pasquate, 20-1 Cossil Prince o 103.

TOTE: Win, 320: places, 16p. 340; dual forecast £1.50. K. Lrwis, at St. Clears 4:, 12l. Kronge did not run. Teg \$fing. B. Sauth 19-21 2 Magic Stipper.

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Que Reina (R. Guist) 7-11-1
The Pilgarlic -- C. Tinkler (14-1) 2
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ALSO RAN: 11-8 Lucius (fr. 80-1)
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2.45 (2.49) SNOW MILL MURDLE Handicap: £647: 2m 4()
Retomar Boy, or g. by Quisting—
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Retomar Gui, 15hrs M. Shayler;
4-9-13 . S. G. Davis (9-2 (ar) 1
Popples Lova . P. Blacker (6-1) 2
Statfold Bridge . C. Tunkior (7-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-1 Victa Steel (1).
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O'Neill none the worse for fall

John O'Neili, the leading jockey, none the worse for his fall on Sea Pigeon in the Camden Cup. South Carolina, on Saturday, is back home in Cumbria and will resume riding at Haydock Park tomorrow.

tomorrow.

O'Neiß will ride The Last Light in the Edward Haomer Memorial Steeplechase and Rantzesther in the Northern Hurdle. O'Neill said: "I grazed my leg and bruised a muscle. Sea Pigeon was going very easily when we fell three from home."

Hongkong, Nov 28.—Joe Mercer, a British jockey, will be out of the saddle for about two weeks after cracking a collar bone in a spill at the Happy Valley race-course here this weekend.—Reuter.

Windsor results

VY HIGSUI FCSGHAS

1.0 (1.1) ROYAL BOROUGH HURDLE
(D)v 1: 1-y-0 novices: 2404: 2m1

Golden Spiten, ch c. by Prince
Barlo-Red Star by Prince
Barlo-Red Star Star Barlo (8-1) 1

Rawlo Barlo Francome (8-1) 1

Rawlo H. Evans (9-4) 2

ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Oronge Gin.
8-1 Banny's Boy (4th Fyer, 26-1)

Compga, 25-1 Gir Panter, Hullardia,
40-1 Aereiko (p). Flossie's Giri, 12

gan. 7871. TOTE: Win. £1.05; places, 18p, 11p, 85p; dual forecast, 80p. F. Winley at Lambourn, Nk, 81. Wither at Lambourn. Nr. 81.

1.30 RUSSELL HURDLE 12568: 2m:
First Break, b h. by Sing Sing A.
Vibursum (E. Ronnoberg),
6-11-1 ... Mr M. Ley (3-1: 1
Bulmbrann, J. Shakh 1'-4 lay: 2
Strette ... G. Grazey (16-1: 2
ALSO RAN: 3-1 The Winker, 7-1
Cawstons Knight, 10-1 tove Poilon,
12-1 Lucky Ambition. Star Speaker,
14th), 14-1 Mullion un, 33-1 Boogie
Knight, Cang Warfare, General Coady
(11) Tudor Massiro, 13 run.
TOTE: Win, 24n; places, 170.
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at Upper Lambourn, 15M, 'd. 2.0 (2.1) SALT HRL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £689; 3m)

2.0 (2.1) SALT HILL STEEPLECHASE
(Handidap) E899; 3m;
Eagle Feether, br p. by Rustam—
Thrace (D. Slokes), 4-10-2
Corramatorra P. Barton (10-11 fat), 1
Coolaru ... P. K. Milchell (7-11 3
3 ran.
TOTE: Win, 15p: dual forecast. 15p.
T. Forster at Wantiagr, 151, 300;
2.30 WHITTE MART HURBILE (Handicap; E518: 2m)
Gay Signal, b m, by Lord Gayle—
The Tac (Lady Nugent, 5-11-4
Merry Kerry ... J. Guest (8-1), 2
Major Rabe ... J. Snaith (5-1), 3
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Oypler Catcher (14th), 5-1 Big Clive, 8-1 St Gawain, 10-1 Oranmore, 11-1 Coffee Bob.
20-1 Selway, 9 ran.
TOTE: Win, 250; places, 13p, 17p, 45p; dual forecast, £1.30, D. Nugent, at Newbury, 1, 5i.

at Newbury. J. Si.

3.0 ROUND OAK STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: Nevices: £5/10: 2m Sf: Rie De Frontiere, ch g, by Grand Roi-Rorder Fartusy (Co. C. Spincer). N. Holman 18-11 1

De Bergerac . H. Kowell (12-1: 2

Saintly Purchase

B. R. Davies (11-4: 3.

ALSO RAN evens fat Lyon Del Mar .(1). B-1 Church Belle. 14-1

Aurelismus (4th, 16-1 Ratheki 7 ran.

TOTE: Win, Lon: places, £5p, £8p; dual farcast, £1.30. Wrs D. Oughlon, st Findon. 31, 101. Pride of Piwcca did not run.

did not run.

3.30 ROVAL BOROUGH HURDLE (Div II: 4)-0 novices: 1404: 2m)

Kyrisbos, b c. by Weiver Rollon—
Crolly (Mrs I. Antont). 11-0

Valavion C. Kinano (14-1) 2

Amazon Ruler, B. R. Devices (7-4) 3

ALSO RAN: crons (ar Sweeping Along (fi. 20-1 Boot Boy, Haydock, 50-1 Gorvaler Wood (4th. Prince Ebor, Caso Study, Geordie Fusilier, Porteure, Prindowa, Terrible Trouble (pi. 13 ran.

TOTE Wis. 30p: places, 16n, 36p.

11p: dual forecast, 77.68. Miss A. Sincialr, at Lowes, 71, 51. Henry Bishop did not run

TOTE DOUBLE: Eagle Festier, Rol de Frontiere, \$17.60, TREBLE: First Break, Gay Signal, Kyrlakos, £76.45.

Cambridge take bearings from captain on revival course

Cambridge University golfers have found the winning touch at last. With half the team still up last. With half the team still up that inflicted such a heavy defeat on Oxford last March they might have hoped to have done better than lose their first seven fixtures this term, some against chis they would normally expect to beat without difficulty. They say down to lunch in their eighth match, at Little Aston, having gleaned only half a point from the six foursomes.

Perhaps they decided that singles and, with them, their first victory of the year. Since then, there have been defeats; but last weekend, in their final engagement of the term and halfway to their match against Oxford next March, they brought their total of victories to six.

They beat Royal Cinque Ports by 111-61 and followed it with a 7-5 foursomes victory over Royal St George's, the excitement of the finish being somewhat

Royal St George's, the excitement of the finish being somewhat diminished by taking place in almost total darkness. Royal St George's are not easily beaten and particular merit attached to the performance of Warman, the Cambridge captain, partnered by Green, a postgraduate from Liverpool who plays off two at Hoylake.

By the excellence of their short game they defeated Brookes Carey and Dr McMichen in the top

Much of the credit for the team ravival would appear to be due to the consistent good form of Warman who has something like 18 victories to his credit. The other old Blues are Grant, the secretary, Boal, Bonsall and Sharpe. Both last year's reserves. Coleridge and Stoker, are avail-

warman would have no diffi-culty in issuing some invitations now to play against Oxford, but competition for the last few places looks like being fierce. In addition to Green, there are four more freshmen to be considered: Sevenson, on a postgraduate course after several years in Africa and almost of a different generation, Tunnicliffe, Knight and Murley.

Oxford's programme for the term ends next week after a visit to Burcham for three fixtures from which they usually expect to earn at least one victory. They would have a better balance sheet to show if they had not come unstuck so badly in foursomes. During the weekend, when they played Royal Wimbledon and Sandy Lodge, they won only two out of 12 foursomes and failure in this department contributed largely to their losing a creditable adventage held over the Oxford and Cambridge Society at the

winning score but raise the general

halfway stage. As it was, they lust overall by only 161-191. As Is is not easy, or even the able, for captains to work to foursomes pairings at this stage because it is important for their other other collections. and their older colleagues to get to know the games of the new recruits. Last weekend they bear North Hants and lost by only only

North Hadts and lost by our; one point to Denham and showed signs that the tide rulght be turning in their favour.

Hurst, Oxford's captain, has three Old Blues to call on: the secretary. Armitage, Monroe and Leach. With several freshmen competing it will be some time before Hurst can be expected to start announcing Blues. One of the best of these freshmen, Walter the best of these freshmen. head, a graduate of Edinburgh and a member of the team there, may be too busy to play but there is also promise among the remainder. This is specially true of Scarfield, who has been playing near the top and giving a good account of himself. Others are Rhodes, Clemet. Wilkes, Burnyeat and Robinson, another scories graduate with learnings.

P. G. Sethi, several times wortheir amateur championship. To set against their defeats, including heavy ones at the hands of Hollinwell and Royal Wimbledon, Oxford can show victories against North Hams. St George's Hill and the Wigorns, as well as a tie with the Army.

Olympic Games

host 1984

Sweden hope to

The West coast city of Göteburghas agreed to sponsor the games since IUC rules specify only one city can fill that role. But the

It is a revolutionary approach; Bo Bengtson, chairman of the Swedish Sports Federation and honorary general secretary of the

Swedish sports receratory of the olympic committee, said in an interview. He said that the idea blossomed a couple of years ago when Sweden recommended to the IOC that the games be hosted by a country instead of a city.

"Arranging the games in already existing facilities could be a solution to the problem of financing future olympics," Kjell Nyman, secretary of the sports department at the ministry of agriculture which overees sports activities in Sweden, said.

"I know there is interest in the idea with the IOC because the Games have grown so fast and large in scope few cities want them," Mr Bengtson said. "The IOC also has confidence in Sweden's ability to organize sports events on such a level."

The Swedish plan calls for the opening events to he held in

The Swedish plan talls for the opening ceremonies and speed skaring events to be held in Göreburg's Ullevi outdoor arena; which has a senting capacity of 33,000 and is set to host the world skating championships in February. Göteburg's enclosed arena, Scandinavium, with a capacity of 12,000-14,000, would accommodate the hockey and figure skating.

Falun, 235 miles to the porth-

hockey and figure skaling.

Falun, 235 miles to the northeast, home of the world's bidest company—Stora Kupparberg—and the centre of the world's copper production during the seventeenth and eighteenth conturies, would host the Nordic events, ski jumping and the biethalon.

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Aare, 386 miles north of Göteburg, would stage the alpine events. In 1976 Aare was one of the sites for the World Cup alpine skiing championships. Hammarstrand, chosen for the bobsleigh competition, also has previous experience in hosting world events. Located 81 miles East of Aare, Hammarstrand has twice hosted the world tohogganing championships,—UPI.

New Delhi, Nov 28.—The International Olympic Committee (IOC) may distribute a portion of the television income earned during the Montreal Olympic Games to the various national Olympic committees, Lord Killania, President of the IOC, said here today.

Answering questions at a lunch in his honour given by the Indian Olympic Association, Lord Killania said the IOC had earned sizable revenues from television during

revenues from television during the last Olypic Games and a special commission was currently considering whether some of these funds could be channelled to the national Olympic committees.

He warned, however, that it might not be possible to help the national committees financially to any great degree because these

events would also be worth eastward to Falun,

existing sports facilities.

A message to be ignored at your peril

Some 250 of the best golfers in have received a letter signed by J. D. Goodban, the President of the English Golf Union, and others, including four chairmen The letter makes searching points about each player's atti-tude towards his game; in parti-

cular, practice, competitive play, tactical thinking and scoring. The reason lies in their observation that, whereas long games are sounder than they used to be, scoring, judged by results in major competitions, is worse.

"Are you striving too hard for technical perfection in the long game and neglecting short-game practice? If you could save two strokes a round by setting down

for granted. Millions of words have been poured out to help golfers, but these few hundred. backed by the recent experience of four Walker Cup players, Michael Bonallack, David Marsh. Rodney Foster and Gerald Micklem, contain more practical wisdom than I have read anywhere for years. Those who ignore the message will be in danger of putting themselves at a serious disadvantage against those who translate the advice into practice. Much will depend on the resstandard, they urge the peneral standard, they urge the player to remember the satisfaction of returning a reasonable score when you are striking the ball badly and from beating someone whosa long game is better than yours." It is no disgrace, nor is it unfair, to hit the ball badly but yet score well. A good way to judge a golfer is how he scores when he is hitting the ball badly."

Amateurs are an independent-minded lot and some might find the tone of the letter too authoritatarian. Yet it has been tactfully worded, asking questions rather than laying down the law, not encroaching on the professional's domain, but aware that it is addressed largely to young players anxious to reach national level.

It might indeed be dangerous for in encouraging short-game prac to-earth advice as: stick an umbrella in the ground and pitch to it; earnestly practice the six foot putt on the carpet at home.

Book review

Pitfalls and triumphs of the week-end golfer

By Peter Ryde

By Peter Kyoe

An undistinguished year for British golf, the Open championship always excepted, has been marched by a slackening in the flood of golfing publications. I am not aware of any British professional having launched into print with his view of how it should be done, and the fashion for glossy monsters seems to be

been in some danger of Indigestion from the very size of the banquet laid before him.

Into this lull has stepped a modest work which could hardly have been attempted in any other sport. Week-end Golfer by Peter Gresswell (John Murray f4.50) is the personal golfing chronicle, spread over one year, of a member of Humtercombe. The theme is his long vendetta against another, slightly lower-handicap member. Decasionally the author allows himself to be lured away to another course or opponent. Even so, it is difficult to imagine that here is sufficient from which to make a book. It is a remarkable target at which to have aimed; what is even more remarkable is that he hits it, or at least scores an inner.

The secret can hardly lie in the writing, for it was a formula of which even Darwin and Longhurst have fought shy. Rather, the success lies in the fact that the

Hockey

England win second match of four

New Delhi, Nov 28.—England beat North-Eastern Railways 1—0, in the Nehru tournament. England drew their first match 1—1 against an Indian Hockey Federation team. The Spanish team virtually lost hope of making the semifinals when they were beaten 1—0 by the bolders. Punjab Police. by the holders. Punjab Police.

The English team started strongly and got their goal in the lifteenth minute when the inside left, Freuch, scored from close In. After this, they defended dourly. The Spain-Punjab Police match became rough in the second half after the police, looking much the better team, scored in the twenylifth minute. The left back, Devinder, converted a penalty corner. In today's other match, Central Reserve Police beat Delhi's Central Secretariat, 4—1.—Reuter.

Third seed by outsider

Safford's John Virgo, a 16 to 1 outsider, produced the first shock of the f7,000 United Kingdom professional snooker championships at Blackpool last night when he knocked out the number three seed, Dennis Taylor, of Blackburn, in the second round. Virgo took a three frames to mil lead against Taylor, ranked among the top four in the world. Then Virgo won the crucial fifth frame with a break of 39 to go 4—1 up and finished off at 5—2 by clearing the table with a 53 break.

break.

Virgo now has a quarter final the against former Pot Black champion, Graham Miles, of Birmingham, who beat Woking's Christopher Ross, S—1.

SECOND ROUND: G. Miles (Birmingham) beat C. Ross (Woking S—1) consequence of the consequence

winter event round the corner for us all. The book is not exactly funny or absorbing, but it is true and diverting: for much of its length it shows just why those who are not appalled by the game are enslaved by it Olympic Committee (10C) when they meet in the spring to choose the host for the Games.

A different kind of chronicler has reappeared in print. Since his retirement from a long career in journalism Geoffrey Cousins has concentrated on research into the

journalism Geoffrey Cousins has concentrated on research into the history of the game and has now come out with the story of professional golf in Lords of the Links (Hutchinson Benham, £4.95). The earlier part contains new material on the personalities in the Open championships of the last century, but this is also the first serious attempt to trace the development of the Professional Golfers Association since its creation in 1901. Neither of these two books comes anywhere near the coffee table or the practice ground. Looking back over this year, the outstanding work in the first of these categories is The World Atlas of Golf edited by Pat Ward-Thomas (Mitchell Beazley, £12.95). The tone of this seductive lap-book is grandiose, its presentation excellent if here and there over-fragmented. The insight it shows into the features and character of one hundred famous courses should help the reader to a better appreciation of his own and other more modest courses.

modest courses.

Real tennis

Lovell recovers in amazing fashion to win By Our Real Tennis Correspondent

Correspondent
Alan Lovell, an amateur, stored a fine win, when from being two sets down, he beat the Lord's professional. David Cull, by 5-6. 4-6. 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 in the open real tennis singles tournament, sponsored by Cutty Sark, at Queens Club yesteday. In Thursday's semi-final round he will meet Norwood Cripps, the home professional who beat David Johnson, also of Lord's, after being two sets to one down.

Lovell's resounding recovery was

sets to one down.

Lovell's resounding recovery was all the more creditable for the manner of its achievement. He had virtually lost the first two sets through poor serving, an old weakness of his, and to the observer he was better placed away from the service end. But in the latter half of the match his service improved immeasurably and with it his morale. He lost what impainence he had shown earlier and set about Cull, always a game and quick footed opponent, with considerable zest.

Cull, after winning the first two

siderable zest.

Cull, after winning the first two sets narrowly but diligantly, reacted from the hard, live-set match he had had against Frank Willis the previous day. He slowed down and, for a time, made more mistakes than usual. But he revived when facing annihilation at 0-3 and 15-40 in the final set. He saved that game with two nicks, a grille and a winning service and was on Lovell's heels for the rest of the match. A chase better than a half a yard in the last game gave Lovell the scent of victory.

victory.

Cripps beat Johnson by 6-2,
4-6, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 after two and a haf hours.

Cripps beat Johnson by 6-2, might be impractical.—Agence France Presse.

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How organized crime buys arms and pays 'social security' to Ulster gunmen

In recent months life has changed for hardened drinkers on both the fiercely republican Falls Road and the nearby loyalist stronghold of the Shankhill. No longer can Provisional IRA volunteers (many under 17) enjoy rhe dubious pleasure of visiting sleazy illegal clubs with names like "The Sweene Boude", "Dr Hook's" and The Zebra Crossing", while Procession members of the outlawed Ulster Volunteer Force have found their regular haunts, like the Long Bar and the Bayardo, closed down for the first time since the present crisis began. Unusually for Northern Ire-

land, the reason has not been recent bomb attacks, but rather the newfound determination of the Royal Ulster Constabulary to crack down against aspects of organized crime which have of organized crime which have flourished in parts of the province. Since August, more than \$50,000 worth of liquor has been seized from a variety of illegal "shebeens" in Belfast, ranging from derelict houses with improvised counters to fully-fleetged social clubs comlets with small machines. plete with gaming machines.
As well as providing fertile recruiting grounds for para-military groups on both sides of the sectarian divide, the un-licensed clubs were also a valu-able source of income for ter-rorists and often a cause of serious social unrest in the areas concerned. The ready supply of cheap drink combined with unrestricted opening hours contributed to a steady increase in alcoholism and related ills such as wife and baby batter-



UDA men in the Shankhill Road: "welfare money" is vital.

middle of 1974 was suffering from rackets and violent crime on a scale equal to some of Europe's most notorious cities, Since that peak, the level has slowly declined because of the growing number of extremists in prison, but the security forces still acknowledge that extortion, intimidation and similar crimes exist on a wide scale. "Remember that in America, they only succeeded in jailing Al Capone on tax charges," one detective said. "Here, we often have to want for a routine type terrorist conviction to put away people sus-

For an area with virtually amount of money involved has no record of organized crime been produced, but it is known seven years ago, Ulster by the

most common rackets is the demand for regular payment in exchange for verbal guarantees that premises will not be bombed. Here the amounts can vary from £6 a week for a corner shop to upwards of £1,000 a month for large commercial concerns close to troubled areas. In a number of recent cases, respectable businessmen are

known to have negotiated the size of their "voluntary contributions" to some of the welfare funds set up to pay dependants of convicted terrorists. One Belfast industrialist who had no money at hand, offered £500 worth of cheques from his safe, and was revisited by the same gang later in the day offering to sell them back to him for £200.

Other swindles involving paramilitary groups have included the embezzlement of government money earmarked for the rehabilitation of houses in republican enclaves, wide scale thieving of Giro cheques containing social security benefits, and a system whereby local breweries were swindled out of large sums being paid for the frequent denials—of close con-nexions with the paramilitaries is the provision of the black "people's taxis" which operate in many of the ghetto areas. The first of these battered, second-hand London cabs appeared when rioting forced buses off the roads in 1971. There are now at least 500 operating in republican and loyalist districts, costing the city's bus company an estimated £1.5m a year in large sums being paid for the return of monexistent empty bottles. The often confusing ethics of both Protestant and Roman Catholic paramilitary groups have prevented their involvement in either drugs or lost fares. In spite of recent suggestions that a Government move against the taxis was imminent, there involvement in either drugs or the growing number of make-

are strong indications that the authorities have come to recog-nize, however reluctantly, that they are here to stay. All are required to carry a PSV certi-ficate and insurance from a reputable firm, making them shift massage parlours which have largely replaced conventional prostitution.
One other business activity
peculiar to Northern Ireland
and widely suspected—despite

quite legal, if nearly impossible to compete with. Those which ply from fixed points in the Falls and Shankhill areas cram in eight or more passengers for fares of 10p and 15p. Buses, which travel more infrequently and have long been a favourite target for hijackers, will charge 13p and 26p for equivalent

While the argument will con-tinue about the precise sources of the funds handled regularly by groups like the Provisional and Official IRA, the Ulster Defence Association and the UVF, there little doubt about what they are mainly used for. Apart from expenditure on arms, the other constant drain on cash is the established practice of making weekly payments to the dependants of con-victed members. Altogether some 1,400 men and women paramilitary group are now imprisoned in Ulster. The families of those on the republican side receive about £5 a week while the largest Protestant group, the UDA, is known to pay our £10 a week or more.

The payment of this " welfare money" is regarded as vital by any group which hopes to con-tinue recruiting. The security forces believe that as their clampdown on organized crime intensifies, the payments to relatives will necessarily become smaller and more irregular. In smaller and more uregular. In official eyes, the growing effectiveness of the war against racketeering should have important repercussions against the other forms of paramilirary activity for which Ulster has already become legendary.

Christopher Walker

Bernard Levin

The priest who should make us think again about Yugoslavia

Yugoslavia is so often of this turbulent priest?", presented as a country which though Yugoslavia being what manages to combine com- n is, there was no lack of those manages to combine communism with freedom (it has just happened again with the news of the amnesty for some political prisoners) that I am obliged, from time to time, to point out that it is no such thing; it is a police state; the fact that it is less brutal than most other communist countries is true, and important, but does not alter the truth about its essential nature. A vivid illustration of that nature has come my way, and I present it today for the consideration of, among others. those who have allowed themselves to be persuaded that Tito, alone of the dictators, permits Yugoslavs who defy his rule to live in peace under it. For there is to be no amnesty in this case.

The story concerns a priest of the Serbian Orthodox Church, Father Sava Bankovic. He is 72 years old, and is the parish priest of a village called Beska, in the province of Vojvodina. At the end of the Second World War, when Tito was consolidating his The Second World War, when Tito was consolidating his power by getting rid of those who might prove a threat to it. Father Bankovic was sentenced to death on a charge of having sympathized with the having sympathized with the Mihadovic forces. The sentence Mihailovic forces. The sentence was commuted to one of 15 years imprisonment, which he served without remission. On his release, he returned to pastoral work, in Beska. He there became noted for his resistance to the pressure of the Tito regime on the Serbian Church, and to the increasing insistence on atheism in Yugo-shar society. For this, he was slav society. For this, he was arrested again, in 1973: a con-tributory cause may have been the fact that he had published volume of religious essays, with a foreword by a leading Serbian theologian, who has since 1945 been confined by the regime to a monastery for his own religious resistance.

The charge against Father Bankovic this time was "activities against the people and the state". He was sentenced to four years "strict regime" imprisonment, which he served again without any remission, in the same prison. (Conditions in it were so bad that, although Father Bankovic was 69 years old at the time of his sentence, and in poor health, he repeatedly went on hunger-strike in furtherance of his demand for more humane treatment. He was released in June this year. Meanwhile, the authorities had organized one of those spontaneous expressions of popular feeling that occur in communist countries whenever the rulers need them; this purported to express local opposition to Father Bankovic and a demand that he should not be allowed to return to his reported such opposition, from such notoriously objective and independent bodies as the League of Communists, some two months before Father Bankovic's inevitably embarrassing release was due; three days after the expiry of his sentence, he was summoned by the head of the district's Commission for Religious Affairs and told that he was not wanted in his parish.
But he has not been relieved
of his parochial duties by his
ecclesiastical superiors. It is worth mentioning that, at his trial in September 1973, he insisted that he had no involvement in politics, but considered himself bound as a priest to resist atheism, and was told by the presiding judge that communism and atheism are the same thing.)

willing to engage in a campaign of barassment against Father Bankovic. Just after inrelease from prison he with his wife to see off two of their grandchildren, who were leaving to undertake a course of study in Britain (Requests for the children to be allowed to visit him in prison had been refused, so he had not seen them for four years.) As the grandparents left the bus on arrival in Begrade, they were approached by police, who ordered Father Bankovic to return immediately to Beska; when the priest asked the man for his identification, he refused to show it, hut showed a revolver instead. They went back to Beska. Later, there was another such incident, again at the Belgrade bus terminal.

In the campaign organized against him, the authorities have not hesitated to use threats; the statement demanding that he should not be allowed to return to his post ended "If our request is not satisfied, we cannot be responsible for any repercussions which might take place". And a particularly odious form of harassment has been added. Father Bankovic has over 48 rears' worth of accumulated worth of accumulated Tears' social security credits, which are designed to provide a pen sion. These have been arbitrarily cancelled by the authorities, thus depriving him of his pension, and since he is still being denied, by force majeure, the opportunity to return to his parish work, he and his wife have no means of livelihood other than donations from parishmers (in the area where there is supposed to be united opposition to his return; and the like.

It is a nasty little story, and ought to (but will not) give some pause to the constant adulation of Yugoslavia in this country by those who should know better, and in some cases actually do. It is too much, of course, to expect Church leaders here to come to the support of a Christian priest condemned for opposition to atheism: many of them are too busy commending armed guerrilla movements in the name of the Prince of Peace, whom in any case they seem to think much inferior, as an avatar, to Mr Robert Mugabe, and I wouldn't be at all surprised to learn that one or two were planning to attend the corona-tion of the Emperor Bokassa, or even to officiate at it. (Besides. some of them are by no mean: certain that atheism is all that different from Christianity, if not, indeed, actually superior to it.) Nor can we hope for protests from any of the standard fun-revolutionaries, who are mostly otherwise engaged, on their work of turning Britain into a reasonable facsimile of Yugoslavia, only not so liberal and indulgent, of course. Some Labour MPs, to be sure, might be willing to criticize Yugo-slavia for her continuing sucpicion of the democratic Soviet fatherland, but that is not quite column will probably be all that is said here on the subject. and Father Bankovic and his wife will continue to live in want and undergo harassment. while his parishioners continue to be deprived of his ministra-tions. I forgot to mention, incidentally, that Yugoslavia was one of the first nations to sign the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

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Well might Tito have mur-mured "Will no man rid me Times Newspapers Ltd, 1977

A single guitar ensemble does

not make a Prom, any more

than a single swallow makes a

Next from the pen of Mr Heath, a book on politics?

Robert Robinson's

Christmas Quiz

Do you expect to have a happy Christmas

Do you think you might over-eat just a

Do you suppose you'll keep warm at home

Did you realise that very many old people

have to say a sad "No" to all those

questions? (They'll be totally alone,

often in danger from cold, and in some

Would you like to bring Christmas

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Address

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with family or friends?

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happiness to one of them?

this winter?

Do you look forward to 1978?

tions. Mr Heath has got into agreeable rut. From Christmas until his far-flung summer recess he writes an illustrated book in his spare time from Parliament and Bexlev. In November it is pub-lished and becomes an immediate best-seller.

In November, 1975, the book was Sailing, which has sold 100,000 copies in hardback, not hian, French, Flemish, Japanese and German editions. Last November it was Music, which is so far doing just a little better. This November, in case anybody should accuse him of stacking, he is publishing two books with his customerits. I wanted to explain to the new generation the things that influenced my generation. My travels have provided the background of the policies and ideals I have tried to pursue."

He is also a cross between a magnine and ideals and ideals I have tried to pursue. books with his customarily magpie and a squirrel with self-explanatory titles: Travels and Carols. He writes as he speaks, without frills, with bas done in life. Trunks of his occasionally ponderous but shapshots, newspaper cuttings, and other decrements throaten.

activity, and whether it bore process of selection. He says: any relation to the other "I enjoy writing, but find it things he was trying to do. He hard work. One of my prob-

thing, but principally because nobody else had written a plain man's explanation of the pleasures of good music. Tra-vels is about his globe-trotting from undergraduate in Nazi Germany and Spain during the Civil War to official guest of presidents.

He explains: "By nature I am inquisitive. I like to talk to people, find out what they think at first hand, and form my own judgments. I wanted

palpable sincerity.

He wrote about sailing to sink his London house and because landlubbers kept on asking what he saw in the make each book a laborious wrote about music partly lems is that for each book I because his publishers knew have done I have had progres-



sively more material available. I have been sailing for only about ten years; but music and travel have been my life for 50 years." Does he think, at his age, it

were things I wanted to say." quent hacks besieg
After handing in this year's for ritual intervie
manuscripts he has fitted in an best-selling author.

He is just back from a very interesting week in Israel. In October he went to China and right up to Northern Man-churia, where he had never been before; then to Bucha-rest for talks with President is right to change so abruptly been before; then to Bucha-from Prime Minister to best rest for talks with President selling author? "I did not Ceausescu, and on up to Molhave the time before. I was on davia to look at the exquisite the front bench from 1951 to frescoes on the monasteries; 1975; and when you are on then to Belgrade to talks with the front bench you can aiways think of something Since he has returned home he more to be doing instead of has made 25 important writing. After such a long spell speeches, two radio and two writing is an opportunity think about the future. And there press conferences, and had frequence there there is no the monasteries; quent hacks besiege his gates for ritual interviews with a

average autumn's travelling.

He started work on the carol book 30 years ago. It was ges-tated while he conducted the annual carol service at Broad-stairs. It was finally brought to birth by the concert to launch lest year's music book and the long-playing record that grew out of that.

From the writing that he has

recently taken up with such remarkable success, he emerges as an insatiably curious, decent, industrious, civilized, inhibited Englishman. The understatement, the ami-able amateur jokes, and the discursive reminiscences con-vey a certain innocence and a great enjoyment of music, architecture, food, travel,

people, and life. But do not knock the formula. The gold in them that skills. So what comes next November? A cautious look:

comes into the eyes that are a kinde wary in the presence of other strenge scribblers: "I have finished my trilogy now Not next year, but in due course I dare say I shall want to write a book about politics." I should watch out for that

Philip Howard Travels, by Edward Heath, Sidgwick & Jackson, £6.50. Carols, by Edward Heath, Sidgwick & Jackson, £3.95 and paperback £1.95.

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Not summoned by bells, but good snuffers

About him were hoses, fire fighters afar, above him the intimate roof of the adjacent house of Jane Ewart-Biggs (in Radnor Walk) which had just caught fire. Thus, last week, the Poet Laureare might have waxed lyrical. In the event, when his morning glass of champagne with his old friend, Sir Osbert Lancaster, was interrupted by plumes of smoke from the house next door, Sir John Betjeman acted swiftly and decisively.

Mrs Ewart-Biggs, the widow of our former Ambassador in Dublin, is out during the day and when, recently, her eldest daughter's top floor bedroom caught fire, the first person to spot it was Sir John. He said to Sir Osbert: "Do you smell smoke? 'Sir Osbert said, definitely: "No" Into the garden they therefore sortied.

Black smoke gushed from the upper window and another guest of Sir John, an agile poet in the making, scaled the garden wall, broke into the house and opened the Ewart-Bigg's front door just as the men routed in Packer trial". militia alerted on the telephone by Sir John, arrived in their Green Goddess.

The firefighters from the Irish Guards at Chelsea, con-fined the fare to the bedroom and souffed it out there. Sir John then provided champagne, in the street, for frefighters, anxious neighbours and Mrs Ewart-Biggs when she returned in the luncheon hour.



I he other trial

Supporters of the rulers of been delighted on Friday to see the Evening Standard's contents bills all over London which announced: "Greig's

Even greater must have been their dismay on finding that the bills referred, not to Mr Justice Slade's keenly awaited judgment in the London trial, in which Kerry Packer, Tony Greig and Co, far from being routed, won hands down, but to the trial match in Melbourne, in which the World XI led by Greig was bowled out for 148

Wanted: a Westminster anatomy

An insurance company, I can reveal, is putting a price on the Houses of Parliament. It has nothing to do with a wealthy oil sheikh seeking a town residence, nor is it a precautionary measure against some latter-day Guy Fawkes and the threat posed by the firemen's strike. The inquiry is being made because of a tape-recorder.

It belongs or it did belong to that tall Tory from Acton, Sir George Young But it has been stolen from his office in the Palace of Westminster. Assuringly, Sir George says: "Fortunately, there was not a tape on it, so there will be no

The reuniter In the past 37 years, Muriel

Monkhouse, has reunited tens of thousands of families separated by war. Today, she receives an OBE in recognition of her service. At the request of relatives,

Miss Monkhouse, head of the British Red Cross Society's International Tracing Service, is still finding about ten Second World War refugees a month in Britain who have not seen their relatives in Eastern Europe since they were torn from them in the war. Many of them last saw their relatives in concentration or labour camps.
Miss Monkhouse works in the

utmost secrecy among files and cards containing details on nearly 100,000 people she has been asked to trace over the

Nixon-type revelations." But his insurance company wants to know more about it.

Filling in his claim form, Sir George was asked to answer the following questions: total value of contents of premises at time of theft; are the premises, or any part, let or sub-let; how many nights have the premises been unoccupied, during the past was anyme to the past year; was anyone in the premises at the time of the theft, if so, please gives names and addresses?

Surely this must be a job for a joint meeting of the Government actuary, the Department of Environment and the Whips'

Stony silence

The arms ban on South Africa. imposed by the United Nations, is apparently having side-effects the moralists in New York could never have dream: of. It would seem that imported catapults from the United States (popular in the Republic) come within the general arms

embargo. A bird lover in Knysna tells me that he is no longer able to protect his ornithological friends from marauding cats because the elastic on his old catapult is broken (the story of our lives) and his suppliers Wham-O Manufacturing of California-are unable to send him a replacement.

My South African correspon-dent adds that he has pointed out to the authorities that he is hardly likely to take on terror-ists armed with machine guns with a catapult and a stone.

A variation on Blaze Away

Playing con fuoco is one thing. I said to myself, but playing al fuoco is surely going a bit far. I had been told that the Band of Commando Forces, Royal Marines, had been ordered, with instruments, up to Strathclyde to reinforce the troops already deployed in fire-fighting during the firemen's strike.
The truth emerged as some-

thing somewhat less dramatic. The musical Marines are going to blazes all right, but they will be leaving their instruments back at base. It will be the first time since

flood-fighting work in the Med-way towns 25 years ago that the Marines will have been used for purposes other than musi-Elements from two other

Marine bands, the Band of the Commando Training Centre and the staff band at the school of music, with also be deployed for firefighting dury. But I am assured that taking their instruments along with them will not be mandatory. It will be more a case, one might say, of trumpet voluntary.

summer, so I must be careful not to over-react. But, listening to the youthful Holme Valley

Two musical

interludes

ensemble from West Yorkshire rehearsing Byrd's Pavane at the Albert Hall yesterday, I felt the two-day Schools Prom (last night and tonight) would be a huge success. We shall see. A few minutes earlier, I was present at another happy occasion at the Albert Hall, also involving joing music-makers.

Jacqueline du Pre, in her wheelchair, received on behalf of the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children a cheque for 1924, the management of the control of the sargent cancer fund for the sargen

May's Music and Youth concert organized by London's Rotar I was able to exchange a few words with the stricken cellist and she left me feeling uplifted and filled with confidence about a world which, whatever else in may deprive us of, still offers the glorious gift of tousic and

the means to enjoy it.

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thought up a clever way of reviving memories for their patrons, They took over the London Planetarium and filled the domed sky with the stars that the villa folk would have seen over Greece during their hols. There was, of course, lots of retsina, taramasalata and olives too. And just to remind the guests 250 of them-what had probably escaped their attention wifile they were sunning themselves on the beaches, John Ebdon, director of the Planetarium, gave them a chat about the connexion between Greek mythology and poetry. Need I tell you that the accent was on romantic verse.

John Morgan Travel, specialists in villa holidays, yesterday

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WINES & SPIRITS

a Special Report

High streets ahead on choice and quality

by Pamela Vandyke Price

Britain are the sort of buyers trade and members of the who bring home wines that International Wine and Food ready are worth trying, but, Society can still attend study as anyone dependent on the sessions.

sible to sell a wine that is schools? This seems unimpercably what its label gracious penny-pinching whites, or Yugoslav riesling, says—and find it dull, even Grants of St James's (Allied if not downright poor in Breweries), Hedges & Butler quality. For quality can be (Charrington Vintners) and slavia and Bulgaria. For all occasions, allow those who make, buy, ship Distillers & Vintners) which half to a bortle a head—pour and handle the wine—it can have shut down their educations. Those trained in wine and Spirit Education Trust conby traditional methods in tinue their courses for the spondent, The Times.

generously for, in a moral



pressure area that remained almost stationary over most of Western Europe for the raw materials that go almost three weeks gave the vignerons just the right conditions that they needed to make a wine that possessed from the fermented juice of make a wine that possessed from the fermented juice of the grape. But did you know the grape. But did you know that every bottle of champagne sales are 12 per cent up on last year and rather over-sugared champagne requires no less than pagne of the previous year.

The EEC winemaking year are costing the wine authorities in Brussels had earlier said that the grapes francs a kilo?

A recent visit to Epernay and Rheims, the two main of champagne are interesting tore using many and Rheims, the two main of champagne are interesting tore using many and Rheims, the two main of champagne are interesting tore using many and Rheims, the two main of champagne are interesting tore using many and that at least detail.

Apart from the massive each bottle without allowing investment that is locked for time, labour, distribution, gross profit margins the marker and all was right champagne grapes are grown and the inevitable importation or selling tax (now payable in Britain at a rate of the Marne Valley will cost a minimum of 600,000 francs, even if it added to the final selling pessimistic as to the real chances of their harvest also the cost of financing being good. But then a the aging of the wine in bottle for at least a year antumn and a high-pressure area that remained almost stationary over most And after that the cost of fairly expensive drink.

A recent visit to main of champagne are interesting to recough to relate in some packaged. There is a basic product cost of £1.80p for innot the massive each bottle without allowing for time, labour, distribution, gross profit margins and the inevitable importation or selling tax (now payable in Britain at a rate of £7.93p the dozen as well as a mandatory 8 per cent VAT and added to the final selling pressure area that remained the aging of the wine in packaged. There is a basic product cost of £1.80p for time, labour, distribution, gross profit margins and the inevitable importation or selling tax (now payable in Britain at a rate of £7.93p the dozen as well as a mandatory 8 per cent VAT and the inevitable importation or selling tax (now payable in Britain at a rate of £7.93p the dozen as well as a mandatory 8 per cent VAT and the inevitable importation or selling to the inevitable importation or selling tax (now payable in Britain at a rate of £7.93p the dozen as well as a mandatory 8 per cent VAT and the inevitable importation or selling tax (now pay

Good value from Germany

by Tom Olsen

wine of great sweetness by unsettled by the weather

wines from late-picked and Aug. Helimers, Loeb, and selected grapes which tur-Thoman, several with re-ned to "noble rot" under lated companies abroad, the autumn mists, making With prospects for 1977

its sugar content.

These are wonderful to the middle grade, and minor duantities of tafelwein, the middle grade, and minor excellent. The great years were 1971, 1975 and 1976, and not a label buyer's virusely with its own splendid tage. Since 1976, with its own splendid tage. Since 1976, were taged in the middle grade, and minor quantities of tafelwein, the middle grade, and minor quantities of tafelwein, the lowest grade, medium-priced wines should again be available and restore the balance 1953, 1959 and 1964.

To my mind 1971 was particularly superb and 1975 modest, often have an only slightly less so. The attractive flavour, while the best examples of each are 1973 have kept their fresh you can find them, for the greatest white wines will keep longer than many realize if properly bottled and cared for.

Because it was superb and rich, 1976 was graded largely as Qualitätswein mit Prädings Qualitätswein mit 1976 authough fruity, are from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freis Albiger Hundskopf auslese from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freis Albiger Hundskopf auslese from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freis Albiger Hundskopf auslese from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freis Albiger Hundskopf auslese from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freis from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freish freish and not from a blend of Müller-Interpretation freish freis

The best wines, however

France: buy now or regret later

by David Peppercorn

The clear message which comes out of France this Christmas is: do not put off buying till tomorrow whatever you can buy today. The official figures are not yet to hand, but it is already clear that 1977 will be an exceptionally small vintage (53 million to 55 million hectolitres against last year's 75 million) of uncertain quality. Prices have been rising in eager anticipation of this situation since the spring.

Bordeaux was especially hard hit by the frosts which came at the end of March. Results are likely to be very mixed, with many of the best Medoc growths producing reasonable yields, but parts of 5t Emilion and most of Pomerol being very badly hit indeed. At Petrus, I am told, they did not even bother to pick what grapes there were; there would not have been enough to have made a 77 vintage of Petrus even supposing the quality had been good enough. The unfortunate producers of sweet white wines were again unlucky; after a disaster in 1976 most of Bersac was destroyed by the great frosts.

The latest forecast is for each of the forecast is for appellar to the ready of the content of the content of the prices and of the wines when Joseph and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis of the whites from Chablis to the whites from Chablis and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis and the Cote d'Or. Only in Chablis is the vin-tage was a lot of the whites from Chablis of the white whites will be respectable and that they will be offering the vintage was fatter the wines were late

by Colin Price Beech

As the broadcaster might have said, "If champagne is not already France's best-loved ambassador, then it should be". After 1974, a year in the doldrums when world champagne were coming in with 8.9" to 9.3" of natural sugar in the doldrums when world champagne were coming in with 8.9" to 9.3" of natural sugar in the doldrums when world champagne were coming in with 8.9" to 9.3" of natural sugar in the doldrums when world champagne were coming in with 8.9" to 9.3" of natural sugar in the doldrums when world champagne were coming in with 8.9" to 9.3" of natural sugar in the doldrums when world champagne were coming in with 8.9" to 9.3" of natural sugar, an ideal blending to the men who produce, press and blend ites of the fine personance of the grapes.

A recent visit to Epernay and Rheims, the two main centres of chempagne are interesting on the responsibility. The sediment is drawn out business and the costs that go into even a single bottle of chalk cellars for a labout.

As a footnote to Bordeaux, which is important since there is no sugar to the must before they would seem to lustify. Now of champagne are interesting for being wraped up and centres of the sugar to the must before they with a popularity in Britain that the best more of the sugar to the must before with that the world in the product cost of filed product of the wines should be on the production, showed that at at least in the doldrums with the strength of the wines should be on the production of the wines of the sugar to the must before they are getting scarce. Look out the 76s require the sized that the 76s require the contents of the bottle and the deligious drinking in white the sixed of centimes and 50 centimes at 92 centimes, corks at a synthing between 25 many of which the store in sup of which should provide delicious drinking in the store the sup of the white looking for good 76s.

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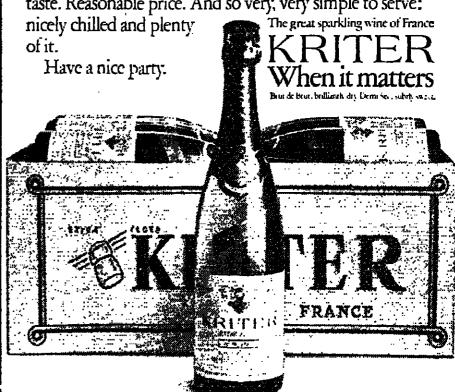
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by Jan Read

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Spain is a country best La Rioja Alta, and Santiago. drinking. known for sherry. Most of Most produce wine in a Then there is the superb its exported table wine has and rose; and the old red Valladolid, made from

table that few of its better quantity. table wines are known or

efforts are now being made with the more select Spanish growths, excellent in quality and easy on the pocket.

The table wines from the Rioja, an upland region in the north, are the best known. Since the late ninethe north, are the best known. Since the late nine-teenth century they have been made by the careful methods of Bordeaux and aged for an obligatory period of two to three years in the traditional 25-litre oak casks, which gives them their characteristic vanillalike flavour. Thanks to the usually reliable summers, vintage years are of less significance than in France; and the wine has generally been labelled according to the number of years spent. been labelled according to Coronas (Great crown rethe number of years spent in cask—though it is now common to find the year of

The region is best known for its red wines, made in two styles, the lighter claretes and more full bodied burgundy type — although it is a pity to compare such individual wines with others from abroad. It also produces

been of the cheap variety reserves can be very fine. French grapes introduced sold in off-licences, and its sale has made Spain second in building new bodegas by demic of the late nine-It is nevertheless regret will ship a red Rioja in large rations supplies to the most

appreciated in Britain and regarded as the aristocrats, for export. appreciated in Britain and regarded as the aristocrats, are correspondingly hard to the Marqués de Riscal profind, and that wine drinkers duces the lighter wine; but west, makes pétillant tend to think of its table wine in terms of sweet growth from the whole region is the Marqués de fefiñanes Palacio, made wine in terms of sweet growth from the whole the use.

"Spanish Chablis". region is the Marqués de fefiñanes Palacio, made with the steep price rise Murrieta's Castillo Ygay, from the albarino grape. I gloriously fruity and deep in You are unlikely to find this taste and bouquet, made only in England, but the page

The bodega also makes a single grape wine, the light, Rioja has been seriously dry Santa Digna, from the below average in volume and

from the Senorio de Sarria and the Vinicola Navarra. abroad. It also produces and the Vinicola Navarra roses and some clean, dry The soft red and white whites, best drunk young. wines from Alella, north of The large Bodegas de Barcelona, have been known Wines of Spain and Portugal Exportación in the Rioja from Roman times; and (Faber) and Guide to the region include such names Valdepeñas, in the Don Wines of Spain and Portugal as Bodegas Bilbainas, Franco Quixote country, produces (Pitman).

Españolas, Berberana, López sturdy red wines, the staple de Heredia, Viña Tondovia, of the small cafés of Madrid CUNE, Paternina, Riojanas, and acceptable for everyday

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to estate-bottled Riojas, all obtainable in London.
now being shipped, was recently organized by Les
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This year's vintage in the kioja has been seriously pinot noir grape, recently in-troduced to Penedès.

Today average in volume and quality, and, bearing in mind the rate of inflation in rroduced to Penedes.

There are many other wines of character from present very advantageous Spain. The Basque province of Navarra makes good reds, rather similar in style to Riojas; the best are those from the Señorio de Sarría

Italy's strict law of viticulture confers benefits

by Joyce Rackham

a much more widespread now supplies half the total seriousness — about the of all sparkling wines imported into Britain, with the Dining at one of Florence's traditional restaurants, we were greatly diverted by the which now govern vitibance, a froshy crimson cabernet and tocal del plave. This has been of wine from Emilia Romagna, who handled the venerable riserva chianti our host had

money is now being invested after the pullvorers spin in building new bodegas by the solution of the state nine-firms, and Pedro Domecq switch the state nine-firms, and Pedro Domecq switch the state of the state nine-firms, and Pedro Domecq switch the state of the state nine-firms, and Pedro Domecq switch the state of the state nine-firms, and Pedro Domecq switch the state of the

Green in years but not in character



for port in the Douro valley. These boys are carrying their their empty baskets up the slopes to the vine terraces. youth

Portugal has been shipping produced in the proportion maduros or mature wines, of escape the ravages of phyl-wine to England since the of 70 per cent of red to 30 which those in largest sup-twelfth century, and the mys-terious Characco wine was

the most delicious vin rosé that. I ever tasted." It has since become one of the vinhos verdes are the biggest-selling wines in the world and dominates British iust over the border from imports of Portuguese table Galicia, notably the Cepa four small areas near Lisbon. Welka from Vinhos de The vines which produce the the red Justina, marketed by Monção. That most readily obtainable in Britain is gent and bone-dry, were pleasantest in its price Charrington, bottled in

country's most individual. The adjective refers not to

Vintners, and one of the Aveieua, shippen by best pleasantest in its price Charrington, bottled in bracket.

Portugal has, however, a slightly sweeter than the price of the protugal it wines drunk in Portugal it.

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wine to England since the of 70 per cent of red to 30 which those in largest suptwelfth century, and the mysterious Charneco wine was
mentioned later by Shake
speare. During the seventeenth century strenuous
efforts were made to popularize Douro wines to compete with claret; and the
stimulus of the Methuen
Treaty of 1703 finally led to
the evolution of port, which,
with madeira, has subsequently accounted for the
great bulk of exports to
Britain.

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was
Mateus Rose, whose success
dates from 1951, when Sache
verell Sitwell wrore in The
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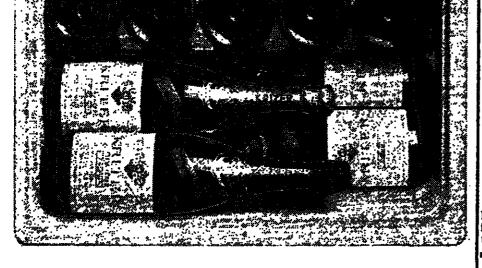
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kasteler Badstube riesling (Lauerburg) from the Mosel (Lauerburg) from the prosect at f2.90, a good balance of These ripen earlier than acidity and sweetness, the riesling and produce contesting kabinett from the so they are chosen for the riesling kabinett from the so they are chosen for the riesling kabinett from the so they are chosen for the riesling kabinett from the so they are chosen for the riesling kabinett from the sound of the riesling and make riesling kabinett from the so they are chosen for the Palatinate (or Rheinpfelt) at simpler varieties and make £3.15, so lush and elegant, clean, refreshing wines of and an apple-sweet 1975 some character. One finds Ockfener Bockstein spatiese them in Niersteiner Gutes

Saar at £4.50.

There are many cheaper from Rheinhessen, the area examples of riesling at about 52 or less, such as the attractive Bereich Bernkastel ries-Britain. ling, a Qualitätswein, and Bereich Johannisberg ries-

fruit acidity. Müller-Thur-

ling, a Qualitätswein, and Bereich Johannisherg riesling.

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gau, a cross between riesling make its impact on Britain making of these fine wines and sylvaner, is the main but has individual, full-which deserve to be as well grape in Rheinhessen, bodied white wines from known here as in Germany. Rheinpfalz and Baden, with grapes like rulander and sylvaner a close competitor guedel, a lot of Müller areas of origin on labels, a lot of Müller areas of origin on labels. Thurgau and 20 per cent Germany produces good produce residerably greater quantities, and produce considerably greater quantities.

The 1975 Niederrimsinger Liebfraumilch mus Artilafelsen is a good exam- of Qualitätswein ple of Boden Müller-Thur- and Blue Nun. gan semi-dry, at £2.45, while Christof, Black Tower and the 1975 Leiselbeimer Vul-Crown of Crowns are well the 1975 Leiselheimer Vul-Crown of Leiselheimer Vul-Crown of Langes of German kanfelsen Rulander (pinot known Ranges of German gris in France) has a rich wines, usually under 52, flavour turning dry in a full, include. Georgehof, Franz lingering after-taste at £2.45. Reh, Seidenhaus. Valcken-These are zentralkellerei berg and Julius Kayser, all the German Food of which I have found



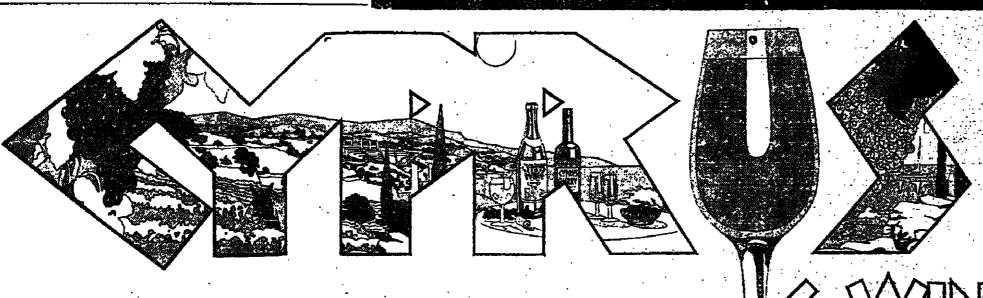
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These vines grow up and who enjoys a sound reput out on trellis wires that are tion for the production and supported by iron poles export of such high quality spaced out in such a way estate bottled growths as them. This enables one man to work 10 acres where before it might well have refrom Krems.

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Kemser Sandgrube, Muellertrockenbeerenauslese from Burgenland and their own Steiner Hund Rheinriesling

Other Austrian wines n attracting attention in Britain include those of Kloster Neuberg and the modestly priced Gumpoldskirchner Neuberger from Augustus

Britain keeps liking for sherry and port

by Edward Hale

During 1976 just under a 6,500,000 cases of Spanish sherry were sold in the United Kingdom. These were complemented by 2,500,000 cases of Cyprus sherry with South African sherry adding than 500,000 cases. more than 500,000 cases. The sherry figure does not include reexports, about a million cases, but keeps Britain in the lead as Spain's best customer. Hard on its heels comes Holland, buying about five million cases mainly of more ordinary quality with price the important factor, with the United States in third place. important factor, with the United States in third place. A market showing impressive growth, but starting Community, the adjustment of internal duties in Britain resulting from membership were amontillados. Before they amontillados. Before they amontillados. Before they amontillados the wines in the control in the first strength in the present year is confined to certain brands, with Harveys of Bristol now claiming 30 per cent with their sherries, expecting this to rise to more than 40 per cent this autumn, and Gonzalez-Byass replacing Domecog in second place. Some montile of their strength and many table wines and, being little, if any, more expensive, and many have been allows a bottle opened as an long of their strength is only and flabby.

Although there is still giving to the wine in the giving to the wine in the giving to the wine in the manner in the lightly bunged butts that special nutrities of olorosos and anutrities of olorosos and anutrities of olorosos and anutrities of olorosos and service were amontillados. Before they amontillados. Before they amontillados. Before they were amontillados. Before they of sherry and, although it is interesting to speculate on changes which may come if younger wine from the air and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor which kept the air and when Spain becomes a member of the EEC, Cyprus and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor which kept the air and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor which kept the air and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor which kept the air and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor which kept the air and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor which kept the air and when Spain becomes a protected by a film of yeast, the flor whic

bost their essential freshness, but, as their popularity has increased so the wine has moved faster through the system and nowadays in Britain these sherries can be enjoyed almost as freshly-bottled as in their Andalu-

some of the lavish new ary as it sounds, as in the bodegas, constructed in those restaurants on the beaches heady days, have rather of Sankucar de Barameda at more wine in their cathedral the mouth of the Guadal-

like aisles than the owners may have expected.

Discernible trends in seafood with anything other chude a large increase in the popularity of the light fines, which until recently held only a small but faithful following. When sales were low, the finos tended to spend too long in bottle and too long in bottle and lost their essential freshness, was down the wonderful helping to raise sherry above the plane of a drink poured in despair to offer a luke in despair to offer a luke warm welcome to the unplayed its part and interpreted until sherry is a white wine at heart and is always better chilled.

Despite coming from vine-yards only about 100 miles wine and has survived away, montilla, one of the greater upheavals in the paniments for soup, but the lighter finos may, outside the professor's experimenta-

Sherry is a very curious wine. Oxidization, the bane becomes an elly to the the origin of the name of capatax of a Jerez bodega, their amontillados.

make a meed to go with London wine trade who ad-them, we should not forget vised the newly independent

vines served at Saintsbury's damer, has, ironically, be-come an outlaw, a sort of bete-noire to the shappers of Jerez de la Frontera, despite having given the Jerezanos

int second place. Some many table wines and, being interesting been momentum may have been momentum may have been allows a bottle opened as an arrof prosperity, even if some of the lavish new bodegas, constructed in those records.

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expected in Portugal. In spite of the good Scottish names in a roll-call of shipyards only about 100 miles wine and has survived away, montilla, one of the greater upheavals in the

There is a firm admonishment that the first duty of port is to be red and, although an interesting way of teasing wine-conscious friends white port has made little impact in Britain where duty levels are the same as sherry. Virtuage porr has a tively, since the eighth censpecial place in our wine try. But vock2—which lists and the shippers have declared 1975 a vintage year for shipment in the British the sales of the Smirnoff utyatee year of 1977.

The previous vintage to be declared was 1970 and are all spirits that tend to be associated with manage consumed in mixtures rather schnapps, which should also than by themselves. Each always be accompanied by since then but even at well brand is different, as is each something to eat, preferably, the control of the preferably. since then but even at well over £40 a case the wine is finding buyers and it is nice to think of benevolent godparents laying down the new port for their godsons and, perhaps, in this enlightened age, there may be a god-daughter or two going out into the world with a pipe of port in her dowry.

A Portuguese government decree has made bottling in Oporto compulsory for this them, we should not forget vised the newly independent and future vintages: a sad the tapas, tit-bits of infinite government on viticultural departure from the tradition wariety, which the Andalus matters and introduced yet when each British wine sizens regard as part and parcel to the true enjoyment of the wine of Jerez. In the shedding and bottling the sherry.

Olives and almonds, Spanish sherry has more than past few years, however, wine and the bottler's name was considered almost as past and pieces of raw held its own and the wines important as that of the fram, small sausages, all from the island of Aphrodite, shipper himself.

The more it resembles milk, chilled lager, the accompanism the more it resembles milk, chilled lager, the accompanism the accompanism the departure from the tradition ments open sandwiches. But the better the quality. Each the cleanness of the drink receptable even frosted with salt), the singular variation of this animates it resembles milk, chilled lager, the accompanism the accompanism that cleanness of the drink scential newto on the better the quality. Each the cleanness of the drink receptable even frosted with salt), the seed-flavoured spirit. Out of the said is good with mock is neat and in a single gulp.

Experts put a little said to have capital letters since to hav

Right for the ice age

by Pamela Vandyke Price

It is likely that the major drinking by the colourless spirits could not have been achieved without modern refrigeration and the availabilisty of ice, plus today's demand for clean, quick-acting drinks amid the prestaining on an international

Many of these spirits are surprisingly old: vodka. for ckaim that Polish vodka was brand—and gin, whether the to be London or Plymouth type, and are all spirits that tend to be always be accompanied by something to eat, preferably, brand of white rum, the classless spicit, especially in the form of a deiquici, and a saying "skaal" while look-comparative tasting of any in neat form or with simple additives will be both interesting and revealing.

Certain other coining has something to eat, preferably, say the Dames, herring. The circulate of raising the glass, saying "skaal" while looking into the eyes of whoever is being "skaaled", linking a arms and knocking back the interesting and revealing. preresting and revealing. schnapps in a gulp (one Certain other spirits, how can bite the second glassful

> as good drinks by them the visitor is told) is compli-selves. Ouzo, made in cated and varies from coun-greece, is diluted with try to country.
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> Sec, with loz of lemon or water, when it terms milky— The chaser is usually lime juice, shaken with water, when it torus milky— The chaser is usually the more it resembles milk, chilled lager, the accompani-

aniseed coagulate and form wine. Schnapps must be finger, suck a slice of lime a type of scale. Nor should iced—tepid it is almost the or lemon and jerk the wrist ouzo be drunk without some nastiest drink that has ever so that the salt is thrown to ouzo be drunk without something to eat—nuts, olives, come my way. Served as slivers of cheese, or crisps.

A bottle that should be, it is a drink that creates conviviality to definitely be kept in the such an extent that it is not freezer, however, is schnapps surprising to learn that, in the sventeenth century, it between the Scandinavian became necessary to decree that the salt is thrown to smull portion of tequila is an excellent accompaniment to highly spiced snacks and canapés.

Dutch gin, known variously congress that the salt is thrown to perween the Scandinavian became necessary to decree countries, but Aalberg that, in Denmark, regional as "Genever", "Jenever" Advavit from Denmark is assemblies had to meet at certainly the best known in 7 am because, after that the certainly the bottle should, time, it was assumed that minly one of the historic everyone would be amiably jacketed in ice and the bemused, also that the clergy spirit poured into small were forbidden to condition made a type of it in American jacketed in ice and mill were to spirit poured into small were to glasses and the contents services hands l

downed at a gulp—the very word schnapps in Danish used in the different recipes Mexico from a plant, the then redistilled with jumiper for the spirit, which is made agave, that is not, as many and other additives. It was in Holland and Germany too, think, a cactus. The bluish the juniper—(genièvro) in and the flavours therefore spines of its leaves are vary. Allborg Aqvavit is stripped from the pinecone-flavour and the Dutch name. British soldiers in the Low and vary, their Jubilaeum's plant, which is cooked and the pressed, the junice then and herbs.

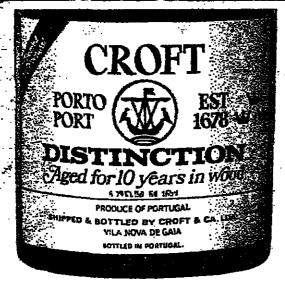
All kinds of traditions are ally distilled. Tequila to be drunk by itself, not many and for three to five as part of a mixture and the pressed agave. All kinds of traditions are ally associated with drinking matured for three to five as part of a mixture, and

without colour. also made great progress in sec, with loz of lemon or lime juice, shaken with And then there is the crushed ice, poured into a glass with its rim dipped in pink gin, made with Plynthesis (selt). The gin sling and the dry mar-

bemused, also that the clergy made a type of it in Amsterwere forbidden to conduct dam as early as 1575 and services with glasses in their the professor of medicine Tequila might justly be seventeenth country firm termed the schnapps of the made a distillate (in a por example, is said to have been means "a snatch or gasp", termed the schnapps of the made a distribute in a po-made in Russia since the There are a number of herbs south. It is made only in still) from rye, which was made in Russia since the There are a number of herbs south. It is made only in still) from rye, which was made in Russia since the theorem is not as many and other additives. It was

years in wood becomes each of the distilleries, golden, otherwise it is including Bols, Fockink, De The big name in tequila is several types in their ranges, Sauza, a family business some flavoured — such as which dominates the trade with lemon peel — others port markets, but Cuervo, pared with the lighter gins certain other spirits, how can bite the second glassful may be used to make the accompaniment to smoked as good drinks by them the visitor is told) is complicated and triple and triple and is especially good and the complication of the complicati

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Grapes have been grown and wine made in the Alto Douro for thousands of years. When Caesar's soldiers marched and clattered on the paved roman roads of the area, wine was already being made roads of the area, wine was already being made and surely not so very few legionaries overcame the longing for their faraway homes with some generous cups of the remote ancestor of what is now Port. However it was in the last half of the XVII century that Port really began to be known; this it owed to British initiative and thirst and then it quickly became the Englishman's wine. However the years passed by and as its fame progressed its markets multiplied and diversified. Nowadays Port is shipped to more than one hundred countries, covering many drinking habits, customs and religions. France, motherland of some of the very best wines of the world, is its biggest importer; she overtook Britain in 1963. Presently the ten biggest consumer countries are, in descending order, as overtook Britain in 1965. Presently the ten biggest consumer countries are, in descending order, as follows: France, United Kingdom, Portugal, Belgium-Luxembourg, Holland, West Germany, Denmark, Italy, Russia, Sweden. The ten biggest Port drinkers "per capita" are as follows: Portugal, Denmark, Belgium-Luxembourg, France, Holland, United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Ireland. Switzerland.

Since its early days, and as the centuries passed, different fashion trends went by but Port stayed; not only because of its high intrinsic value, but also because of its easy adaption to different tastes and habits. There are various sorts and styles of and habits. There are various sorts and styles of Port: it may be a dessert wine, an aperitive wine or just a pick-me-up or a wine to be appreciated in a moment of leisure. Not all countries have the same drinking habits. For instance, on the turn of the century, sweet and very sweet white Port was the wine for two great countries; however, at the same time, other countries asked for deep purple Reds, Rubies, Tawnies and Vintages. Some nations, France for instance, mainly think of Rubies, Tawnies and Whites as aperitives. But other Port lovers, and more and more do it, drink white dry lovers, and more and more do it, drink white dry Port as the only aperitive.

The fact is that there are many ways of drinking and many different Ports to be drunk. There are ing and many different Ports to be drunk. There are however some general rules on Port drinking; they may collide with some personal idiosyncrasy or with some special wine drinking habit. This in no way is a difficulty as a Port consumer has the sacred right to drink as he pleases end chooses. Port is born and matured to give him his pleasure; nevertheless one should never forget that it also craves for a little loving respect so that it may show itself to the best advantage. Let us now consider the various types of Port and how and when they are usually drunk. What follows is not for the learned wine lover but only for the everyday common person who likes Port but usually has an imperfect knowledge of the complex subject that Port really is.

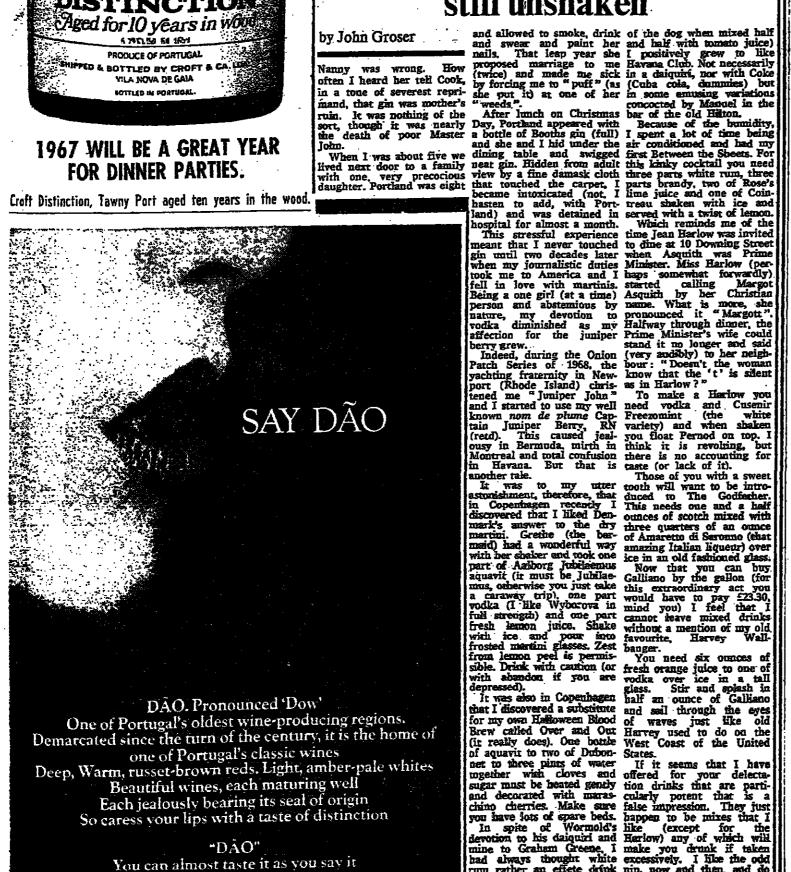
Port can be produced from white grapes and then it will consequently be white Port. White Port can be sweet or dry and is aged in wooden casks. The trend nowadays is for the dry or extra dry ones which are extraordinary aperitives. They do not compete or try to surpass any other aperitive wine, they are, as Port usually is, excellent and different. They can be better appreciated if served cool.

The Reds and Rubies are usually young rich Ports; they are as a rule dessert wines but can be appreciated at any time. The Tawnies, older, smoother, medium dry or sweet, can attain extraordinary quality. An old Tawny is very versatile: it is a perfect dessert wine but is also very good as an aperitive or at any time of the day or evening. Reds, Rubies and Tawnies are aged in the wood and are commonly a blend of different Ports: this is, one could say, the classical way of producing Port. Wood Ports do not usually exhibit a date on the label. Nowadays however some of these Ports can show on the label one of the following descriptions: "10 Years old", "20 Years old", "30 Years old", "more than 40 Years old"; they must be bottled in Portugal with the "Selo de garantia (guarantee seal) issued by the "Institute do Vinho do Porto" (Port Wine Institute) in Oporto.

Lastly we have Vintage Port or simply Vintage. This is the full bodied Port of only one very good year, bottled in between its second and third year. Always dated and of exceptional quality. One can not generalize about Vintage Port; each one is different not only as refers to the year but also to the shipper. Since 1970 it must be bottled in Portugal with the "Selo de garantia" issued by the "Institute of Vintage and Porto" in Oporto. It is the perfect of the garantia and the perfect of the perf perfect efter dinner wine and, as most people know, is an expensive and difficult wine: it should be uncorked and decanted if necessary some time before serving, then drunk quickly, that is, not kept for long. However the public demand for Vintage is always growing. Some Vintage Ports are collectors items only to be found in privileged callers or in auction rooms. cellars or in auction rooms.

Finally, to finish this article, let us consider a question that is frequently asked by young Port lovers: should one buy Port to lay down and drink years afterwards. The answer, not so easy, is yes and no. If one thinks of Reds, Rubies, Tawnies, Whites, that is of Ports aged in wood then its no. with some few exceptions, as the Shipper usually bottles his wine when he thinks it should be drunk. But if one is thinking of Vintages or Crusted Ports, then it frequently could be yes, but then you must know your wines, or better still, ask the advice of a good Port wine merchant.

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Whisky blends the best

whisky at all. Malt devotees have always sworn that straight malt whisky "Château-bottled", as it were, from one distillery, is the finest spirit driple in the sale of the parliest variance of the

Scotch.

The Highland pot-still Leslie Scott, Sanderson twhiskies with their rich and blending director, who is resplended flavours were difficult to obtain and often proved too rich for the tastes of the English market. On the other hand the grain whisky distilled in the Sanderson's recipe.

Lowlands by the patent still method, from grains other than barley, produced a less conditioned by the location and sales and suffer and the clegant drink than palates number and styles of whisky a chemist, but his job is to analyse the whisky for strength and cloudiness; deciding whether it is good or bad is strictly Mr Scott's department.

Akt first blended whisky misky on your hands and sniffing the result. The remarkable stability and quality of the blends are a tribute to the combination accustomed to the finest coge easily available in the dis-

accustomed to the finest cog- easily available in the dis- of old skills and new applinacs would accept. The trict. Today Mr Scott has carions of them which go answer was a blend of the at his disposal all the re- into every bottle of whisky.

Charente and with it the gentleman's spirit, brandy. Very little whisky had been drunk outside Scotland pounded almost 100 blends, mixing them personally in small casks or "vats". Then could never have drunk whisky except when shooting on a moor or in some very dull, chilly place."

Deprived of brandy the Euglish gentry turned to whisky, at first Irish, then son brand name to this day.

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Cognac tasters keep it in the family

by Iain Crawford

Two kinds of whisky, malt sources of the huge DCL and grain. This mixture, group and he blends his its many variations, endit work out what or two of any of the famous of which are now famous of what age, it is necessary well ask why there was ever any necessity to blend whisky at all. Malt devotees have a laways sworn that straight.

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Working with him are his Le Paradis, the silent, to (representing the seventh most venerable and variable generation in the firm) and stock, some of which is up assistant taster to his father. "These are not museum They usually begin at 10 am, pieces. We use a small pro-

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Eye, nose and palate detect 'le vrai' armagnac

Armagnac is the oldest brandy-producing area in France. Tucked away to the north-east of the Pyrenees and, unlike Cognac, cut off

Making armagnac, in spite bics), would tour the area and distil the wine at the vineyards. Today it is more economical to collect the wine in tankers and carry it to a central distillery, although there is no clear-cut pattern in the industry and a dozen of the old flow must be checked and

the spirit and not to the local each of the wives in turn the sparit and not to the local would bring food to cook by white wine from which it is the wood fire of the still younger than three years for down to dinner near by. VSOP (at least four years a ript of copper, an essential old) are standard categories. material, with domed cham-VSOP (at least four years a ript of Five-year-old armagnac carries a variety of names according to the producer but includes XO, Napoléon, Vicille Réserve and Hors not then manare in d'Age. All of these are apparently through the lack blends but some producers vintage armagnac, which is the fine distillation

There are still people who emember the categories filons quatre and filons six bottles with four or six loops of string round the necks to indicate the quality to illiterate bartenders. Many other tage is poor, the taster may oddities survive from earlier have to improve it with years. The floors of the propo chais (warehouses) are spotless, but as Pierre Janneau, other areas. There are three other of the best known prowhich gives the spirit its ducers, points out, the spider finesse, Tenareze, which webs are left for a purpose, gives it body

Bordeaux who used to sell Chestnut bands that tradi-armagnac simply as brandy or eau de vie d'Aquitaine.

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> Opinions are divided over cognac method) (

Blending takes place im-mediately after distillation in huge vars. If the new vin-

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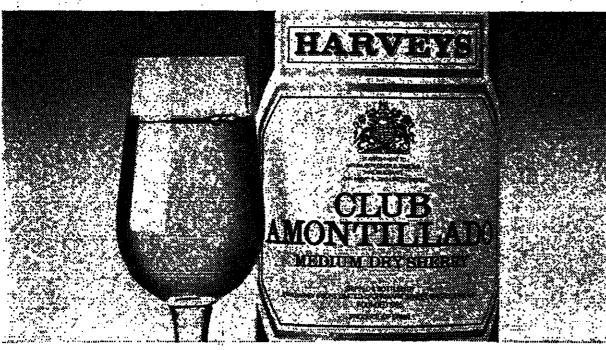
There are 18,000 growers of vines, mostly on mixed farms, of whom 1,300 make armagnac in bottles of farms, of whom 1,300 make armagnac. After the harvest the owners of travelling stills, which resemble horsed draws fire engines (alambics), would mur the area of modern bottling and market, would mur the area of modern bottling and market are grown in Gascony and who uses his own ancient becoming under the name Marquis de tonteam to content tecanic aroma of prunes (or ton concentrated. Several Caussade.

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A closer look at two classic styles of sherry.

The qualities that distinguish a great wine from an ordinary wine are colour, bouquet and taste.

The qualities that distinguish a classic fino are a very pale golden colour, a fresh delicate bouquet, and a very crisp dry taste. Luncheon Dry is just such a fino, and is always best served chilled.

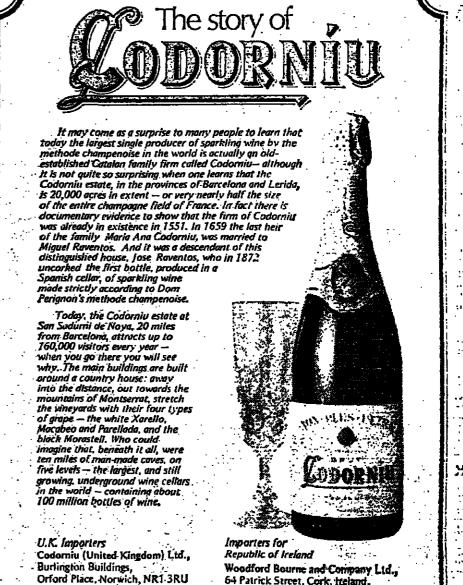
The qualities of a classic amontillado are a richer light amber colour, a distinctive aroma, and a medium dry taste which has taken on a particular nuttiness from ageing in cask.

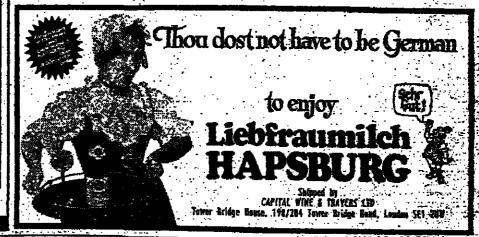
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Case for a free

From Mr John G. Phillimore

Sir, Lord Balogh's letter to you' congrated asing the Chancellor of the Exchequer for "his stand against any further releasion of the exchange controls" (November 24) typifies the myopic Socialist approach that has brought the affairs of this country to so low as each

For many of us it is cause for

chaine rather than satisfaction that, alone of the world's leading industrial countries, we have been denied the prestige and the benefits of a free currency for the past 38 years.

And now, if ever, is the time to free it, with North Sea oil practically guaranteeing us a favourable

balance of payments for some years

In any case, ere we not bound

under our commitments to the EEC, to allow free movement of capital

by next year?

Lord Balogh seems to assume that, if exchange controls were removed, everyone would rush to invest abroad. He is a poor psychologist. Once the Government, demonstrated its own confidence in the control of the control

our currency by removing its props, both Rritons and foreigners would be more likely to feel confidence in investing in British industry, than

they are today.

Lord Balogh makes the supprising assertion that British andustrial

leadership has been "undermined since at least 1873" by the dearth

of investment at home. No doubt he will be revealing his evidence to ...
Sir Harold Wilson's Committee, even though he denies it to your

In fact our investments abroad

In fact our investments abroad, over the last century and more have brought untold benefits to this country, not just by the dividends brought back, as he unimaginatively suggests, but by developing world-wide sources of cheap food for our people and new materials for our industries, by creating demand overseas for our industries, by creating demand overseas for our industrial products, and intrough the vast related incurance.

through the vast related insurance and shipping income that forms so large an element in the invisible export surplus that has saved our

bacon for so many years past. Not to mention the fact that, had it not been for the accumulation of these great overseas assets by our hardworking forebears, we should have

been hard put to it to survive the two World Wars of this century. Yours fasthfully,

TOHN PHILLIMORE,

South African doctors

From Dr R. A. Storring

Sir, It seems from your report today (November 23) of the Steve Biko inquest, that an investigation ought to be carried out into the medical competence and professional conduct of the doctors who examined Mr Biko, in particular Dr Ivor Lang, Dr C. Hersch andre Dr Benjamin Tucker.

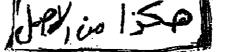
If such an inquiry is not carried out by the medical authorities. In South Africa in the near fouries may I suggest that our General Medical Council will-cease to recognize South African medical qualifications foreignith.

Yours faithfully, R. A. STORRING,

The Postern,

Postern Lane, Tonbridge, Kent. November 25.

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SOMETIMES ONE HAS TO WIN

the advantage in the firemen's strike appears to be moving clearly towards the Government. In the early days, it seemed very possible that the public fear induced by a type of industrial action never before experienced on a national scale might create an irresistible pressure for capitulation. But as the days have passed not without fires or casualties, the situation has become less unfamiliar. However dreadful it may be to lose one's home, or worse, by fire, the danger for each family remains statistically remote. In this sense, a union that provides some convenient everyday service may bring more pressure to bear than one that saves lives. The TUC has held aloof, other unions have been more forthcoming with verbal than financial support, and the most urgent question seems increasingly to be how long the firemen can last

without strike pay.
It is true that where public safety is concerned alarm can grow quickly and unpredictably: one serious fire in a hospital or old people's home could still cause a public revulsion against the Government. The firemen's readiness to offer help if lives are in danger (for which they deserve all credit) has itself tended to prevent panic. The longer the strike goes on, the better reason the Government has to be ready to ride out any temporary gusts of public Their hours are to be reduced opinion. The chosen formula for wage restraint does not make of pay.

After more than two weeks, it obligatory to hold every group to 10 per cent; initially, there might have been a case for allowing the firemen a little over the odds. But their determination to hold out for 30 per cent or near it made compromise impossible. Once they had gone on strike the Government (itself their employer, in the last resort) had no choice but to resist. Surrender would have been to invite every employer in the private sector to do the same, whatever the merits of the demands they were faced with.

Nor is the firemen's claim more than marginally excep-tional. In view of the failure of so many attempts to set up an acceptable link between their pay and that of other kinds of worker, there is no surer way of judging their rates than to ask whether recruits are still coming forward in adequate numbers. In spite of exceptions in particular areas, no evidence has been produced to suggest that national recruitment problems exist even on a scale com-parable with the sometimes exaggerated ones of the police. Firemen's work is dangerous, though in terms of fatal accidents no more so than work on a farm. Their earnings are not low-certainly not by comparison with farm labourers or some of the soldiers in the Green Goddesses—and their job invery obvious nonmonetary personal rewards. Their hours are to be reduced

One widely canvassed way out of the deadlock would be to make it illegal for firemen to strike, and to give them a large award by way of compensation. An invitation to give up the strike weapon would scarcely commend itself to the union at the very moment when a strike had brought a big rise within their reach. The fortunes of the police in recent years might not seem an encouraging long-term precedent. Since a prohibition on striking by any large and determined body of workers would in practice be unenforce-able in our society, the proposal would offer no real guarantee against future action. As for the immediate consequences, it would be the percentage gain, not the notional sacrifice, that would impress itself on other claimants.

For better or worse, the case of the firemen has gained a crucial significance in this year's pay round. There is still scope for yielding a couple of percentage points as a face-saver. There is need for new and more purposeful talks about relating rates to that of some comparable group or groups. But when the firemen's leaders meet Mr Callaghan today they must understand that in the national context the overriding issue now at stake is not the details of their claim, but the authority of the Government, which, with or without an incomes policy, is the employer in the public sector.

TWO OXEN CONDEMNED TO ONE YOKE

One can be a good Catholic, like most Poles, and at the same time be an active participant in the construction of a socialist state, as most Poles are," said Mr Edward Gierek, the Polish party leader, in 1974. This week, during his visit to Italy, he will be the first communist leader of Poland to be received by the Pope. It will be an event of historic importance, showing national interest. "Next to God, our first love is Poland," Carmoved since the bitter confrontations of the 1950s. The relationship is still not nearly as easy as Mr Gierek's optimistic remarks suggest. There is still a fundamental ideological confrontation and a struggle for the basic loyalty of the nation. There is also a constant tug-of-war over specific issues. But there is also mutual respect, an awareness of common concern for the national interest, and an increasing ele-ment of healthy realism on both

The role of the Church has been described as that of a loyal opposition because it must reject atheistic basis communism and defend the rights of believers, and because it regards itself as having more real historical legitimacy than the present regime as defender of blistops issued a two-part appeal. On the one hand they called on the people for increased effort and solid work and sacrifices for the common good the present regime as defender and to preserve social order.

not only of the faith but of the Polish nation. It therefore felt called upon to protest-with some success, as it turned outagainst a new draft constitution which seemed to limit Polish sovereignty. But just because it sees itself as representing the dinal Wyszynski has said.

The delicate balance between loyalty and opposition was most severely tested after the foodprice riots in June last year. On the one hand the Church saw the need for price rises and the danger of a breakdown in public order. On the other hand it has felt more and more called upon to champion the rights not only of believers but of citizens in general, and particularly the new urban working classes, among whom its authority could in the long run diminish, as in other industrial societies. In September of last year, therefore, the bishops issued a two-part appeal.

On the other hand they called on the state " to cease its oppression of workers who took part in the anti-government protests. . Those sentenced should be amnestied. The Government, however, did not play fair. It published the first part without the second. The Church then moved steadily into more open defence of the workers and of the committee set up on their behalf by a number of intellectuals.

With the possibility of more prouble this winter if prices are increased, as they will have to be at some point, the Government will be anxious to avoid making the same type of mistake again. It needs the support of the Church both in the short run to discourage disorder and in the long run to win the type of national legitimacy which only the Church can bestow. The Church's response is likely to be conditional, as always, on its being accorded the respect due to it and its members, but it is also unlikely to relinquish its claim to be judge of when the interests of the regime and the nation are in reasonable harmony. Mr Gierek's visit to the Vatican is a hopeful indication that for the moment they are regarded as being so.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Discontent in the services over pay

From Brigadier Shelford Bidwell
Sir, It is some time since I was in
direct contact with the rank and
file of the army, but I think I can
comment usefully on the article by
a "serving officer" on pay (November 24). His historical notions are
misleading, to say the least of it:
there has been no occasion on which
the King's troops have either
indulged in "collective bargaining"
or been punished by being blown
from guns. I suspect the incident
conterned indian troops of the East
India Company. Far from being
"regularly paid" to take one
example, the pay of one of the most
successful armies we ever put in the
field, in the Peninsula, was often From Brigadier Shelford Bidwell

"regularly paid" to take one example, the pay of one of the most successful armies we ever put in the field, in the Peninsula, was often mouths in arrears. As for motivation, even when I joined my battery in 1934 the majority of my section were driven into the army as the choice of two evila, the other being memployment and the "dole". The soldiers were, except for a few NCOs, unmarried, and once in the army found a congenied refuge in one or other of the paternalistic, tightly lank, semisumonomous, little social groups which in fact what "regiments" are. However, we are concerned with recent and present times, not pre-1939.

The postwar national service army was not only miserably paid but the pay of the rank and file was subject to unjust penal deductions summarily inflicted by regulation rather than the process of law under the Army Act. The ration was inadequate for 20-year-olds engaged in physical exertion and they spent at least half their pay supplementing it in NAAFI canteens, which in num paid a "rebase" to regimental funds, not a penny of which come from the public, bridged the gap between hunger and the rations and also (using the unpaid labour of the wives) provided a welfure service for soldiers and their families. The only political pressure in favour of the private soldiers was maintained by appeals by parents, and occasionally wives, to trackbench members of Parliament. This helped, but the replies to a "ministerial enquiry" or to a question in the House addressed to the minister were not—how shall I put it?—always based on the candid information supplied by the commanding officer.

made when we changed over to an all regular, volunteer army, but even an recruiting sufficient numbers of the right quality of men con-tinued to be a constant struggle. I myself doubt whether "adventure", the "mud fort, Mad Mullah, aumoured car" knage, was really so great an attraction, but active service certainly alleviated the tedium of a life spent between the barrack room, the training area, the playing fields and the NAAFI. The real attraction, bearing in mind that the modern soldier is a professional—and a family menument and accordance for family man-was a good wage for skilled work well done, and stability. Without, these men will neither enlist nor extend their service. What enlist nor extend their service. What has happened is that instability combined with inflation has eroded the soldier's position without a chance of his voice, collective or individual, ever being heard. It might be thought the duty of their officers to speak for them, but they do not, or cannot, for reasons it would take a letter as long as this to explain. I would not care to see a "unionized" army, but of one thing I am sure: the day is not far off when it will be forced upon us. The omens are clear to read.

Yours faithfully,
SHELFORD BIDWELL.

Great and beneficial reforms were

SHELFORD BIDWELL 8 Chapel Lane. Wickham Market, Soffolk. November 25. From Squadron Leader A. P. Galea

Sir, The article today (November 24) on Service pay and conditions referred to the attempt to deprive short service commissioned aircrew of their gramities as an "unfounded riamour". This "rumour" was solidly based on a Defence Council Instruction to their effect. Its non-Instruction to that effect. Its non-implementation to the individuals concerned was due largely to the intervention of MPs and newspaper intervention of MPs and newspaper publicity after months of unsuccessful submissions to MOD by unit commanders. This attempt to alter terms of employment without reference to the people affected is but one instance of a process which has been erading trust and loyalty within the Armed Forces.

Servicemen are rapidly coming to the conclusion that no reliance

can be placed on faceless government bureaucrats to treat them fairly in the absence of "union" representatives. While the majority of all ranks would have no truck with the unions there is a groundswell for a truly representative Association which the Armed Forces Pay Review Body is not. Yours sincerely,

A. P. GALEA, 4 Winchester Close, Chippenham, Wiltshire, ovember 24.

From Major-General J. Sheffield Sir. As a result of successive finan-cial curs in defence the logistic base of the Services has been eroded. Soldiers have been replaced with static civilians; functions such as feeding have been centralized, and the reserve of accommodation afforded by TA Drift Halls has been

in consequence there has been a loss of mobility and the Services are now expected to literally pull the politicizes chestner out of the fire with totally inadequate Yours, etc. J. SHEFFIELD, 11 Pirt Street, W8. November 23.

From Mr Graham M. Neil Sir, I was full of admiration for the Lieumann-Colonel in Manchester who had the courage to speak publicly about the pay and conditions of his men.

As any good commander he clearly has the interests of his officers and men at heart but in making a public statement he himself takes the risk of being disciplined by his senior officers with possible jeopardy to his own miktary

I trope that Mr Mulley, having read his report, has the same courage as his subordinate and supports his views. Obviously there is a problem, otherwise a soldier at the present stage of his career would not have sacrificed as much as he has done to speak up for his men. Yours, etc.

G. M. NBIL, 74 Grosvenor Street, WL

The Palestinian issue

From Mr Elkan Presman Sir, During the Yom Kippur was you were kind enough to publish a letter from me in which I called for letter from me in which i called for the Israel Government to declare that everything, was negotiable in the pursuit of peace. Amongst the many letters I received at the time there were amony from known sup-porters of Mr Begin impugning my loyalty as a Jew and declaring such a statement to be a form of national reservery.

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Now that Mr Begin has himself made such a declaration, a further step forward along the lines of a Palestinian confederation, as suggested by Mr Maccoby and Mr Frankl in The Times today (November 25) becomes a real possibility and an urgent necessity. This is a proposal entirely in keeping with proposal entirely in keeping with the Zionist dream, and it offends no previously declared principles on both sides.

All who regard themselves as friends of Israel should now urge both the Israel Government and the opposition to declare that such a confederation is their long term aim. And let Mr Begin's supporters in particular see that this indeed

From Mr Andrew Faulds, MP for Warley, East (Labour)

Warley, East (Labour)
Sir, It really is unacceptable that your columnist and my colleague, Eric Moonman, who is Chief Executive of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland should use his column (November 21) to misrepresent aspects of the Middle. East problem To talk in this day of "the placement of the Palestinian refugees" as one of the "substantial political divisions between Israel and the Arab states" is such an avoidance of the real issue as to be breathtaking in a responsible pulitician. He must realize that the requirement of a Palestinian the requirement of a Palestinan state has now been universally recognized and that even Israel's closest ally, the United States Government, has come round to that

He writes too of "the Palestine Liberation Organization's public relations machine, which took over

would provide a worthwhile interpretation of their dream of a "Greater Israel".

Yours faithfully,
E. PRESMAN,
67 Gondar Gardens, NW6.
November 25.

Where the Nazis left off in urging the destruction of the Jewish people This is totally untrue and he must be aware that when Christopher Mayhew offered a substantial sum to anyone who could provide evidence of such an intention there was no one who could substantiate such an untrue allegation and not a negative was paid

could substantiate such an untrue allegation and not a penny was paid. Even Eric Moonman must have heard of Yasser Arafat's offer at the UN that the Jewish community then in Israel/Palestine would be entitled to stay in that land.

And for a respected colleague to dismiss the murderous antacks by the Air Force of the State of Israel in Southern Lebanese villages, causing over a hundred deaths, as retailectory reids against terrorists is totally dishonest. Such attacks are a massive overteaction to isolated guerrilla incidents and would be the cause of an international outtry if the perpetrators were any other man the Israelis with the international ne israens with the international Zionist connexions throughout the mass media of the Western world.

Responsible writing should be the first requirement of one of your regular columnists. the Israelis with t ie internati

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to be a job for everyone rather than a dole for doing nothing, we have

to return in certain areas to Wil-liam Morris's idea of making things

which are more humanly satisfying when they are made by hand.

I believe that unless we can begin to study the basic problems of the

twenty-first century in this kind of way we shall continue to go from one short-term expedient solution to another, while the underlying prob-

lems of exhaustion of raw materials, population growth in the under-

developed countries and escalation grow worse.

Yours sincerely, M. W. THRING, Department of Mechanical

Sincerely, ANDREW FAULDS. House of Commons.

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Barking Hospital, Upney Lane, Barking, Essex. Saving historic ships

R. A. STORRING,

From Mr Frank Carr Sir, In his letter (November 25) Dr Robert Clarke calls attention to the omission of the American whater Charles W. Morgan from my article (November 19) on the preservation of historic ships. I had not forgotten her, but she was a small vessel built in 1841 for a limited trade, that of catching whales. The Constitution, also square-rigged, like-wise survives, but she was built as a warship in 1787. Neither is typi-cal, as was the Kaiulani of 1899, of the last American built sailing merchantmen, which is what I had,

in mind.

To clarify the issue, I would a quote from the Fall, 1977 number of Sea History, the journal of the National Maritime Historicals.

Society, in which the President, Mrs. Society, in which the President; Messelect Stanford, writes:

"The National Society was formed in 1963 to save the steek bark Kaiulani in trust for the American people, and to see het restored as the last surviving American deepwaterman to carry passengers and freight under sail—the last of the square riggers that built the United States and made the Republic's flag famous at sea." The failure of that project dramatically emphasizes my argument that financial backing is as necessary as dedicated enthusiasm if historic craft are to be saved for posterity.

posterity.
Yours faithfully, FRANK CARR, 10 Park Gate, Blackheath, SE3.

Questioning the preacher

From Mr Bernard Denvir

Sir, Congregations in the past bave ont always been as unresponsive as Mr Hare suggests in today's columns (November 22). On May 16 1532 Marin Sanuto noted a letter from Carlo Capello, the Venetian Ambassador to England, in which he recounted that "On the 13th inst in St Paul's an individual preached in favour of the divorce, and a woman stood up and told him aloud that he lied, and that this example in a king would be the destruction of the laws of matrimony, which is one of the holiest and strongest ties, whereby a man is restrained within the limits of civil and Christian existence".

The fact that she was arrested may of course have helped to dis-courage what, today, we would no doubt describe as "viable inner-personal communication patterns on theological themes in a hieraric context" emerging as freely as they might otherwise have done. Yours, etc,

BERNARD DENVIR

MR FUKUDA BREAKS THE MACMILLAN RECORD

In any western democracy a Kuchi Miyazawa goes to the Cabinet upheaval so great as Economic Planning Agency and to replace all but two of the old Mr Nobuhiko Ushiba, not long members would mark a crisis in the affairs of the ruling party at the very least. Only issues of national concern could justify it Such assumptions may be mistaken in assessing Mr mistaken in assessing Mr Fukuda's new team in Japan. This is partly because politics and political leaders occupy a much lower status in the public mind in Japan's democracy than they do in the West—a fact that it is hard for the western democrat to grasp. Indeed, since the Lockheed scandal and Mr Tanaka's fall that status may have declined even more. For all their favoured "low posture" approach, however, there are times when the Japanese Government must react. Japan's mounting trade surplus with the United States and with the European Community has now become the most urgent matter of external relations.

The new Cabinet looks much more workmanlike than the old in which several appointments were a response to party pressures. In particular the new men include some who are well placed to tackle the crucial issue of the trade imbalance. Mr

Refurbishing the SS image

Sir, it needed someone like Terence Prime (November 21), whose excel-

ent reports on Germany for The

I well remember, to dissipate some of the emotion and confusion that mention of the SS still seems to

From 1946 to 1947 I was a mem-ber of the Review and Interroga-

not of the Review and interroga-tion staff at an interroment camp like the one Mr Prittie visited. The bulk of the 6,000 or so inmates comprised former SS personnel— including members of the Allge-

meine SS, Gestapo and SD-and viridals of the NSDAP (party)

inerarchy, and our job was to investigate, classify and release as many inmates as Alfied security and military government policy permitted. But the SS, having been admirated.

adjudged a criminal organization

adjudged a criminal organization by Niremberg, we were not allowed to release during the whole of this period, even though the Waffen SS (the majority) consisted mainly of Guin junior NCOs as guiltiess of any trime as the ones interviewed by Mr Privile. Even members of the Totenkopf (Death's Head) brigade, a unit specially concerned with supplying guards for concentration camps, solemnly swore that

From Mr Frank Ziegler

engender,

retired from the embassy in Washington, to a new post as Minister for External Economic Affairs. Both are able spokesmen for Japan who are also familiar with western conditions and attitudes. But ministerial changes may

not be enough to alter very quickly the ever-increasing trade imbalance any more than it pro-mises to be righted of itself by the ever-rising yen. Here, too, basic Japanese feelings are a reminder. Japan's economy is unquestionably part of the world economy of the advanced nations but Japan has not yet, in any active and committed way, brought herself to be a part of that world. Hence a response that is defensive, seeking acceptance and justifying it by the unanswerable argument of Japan's efficiency as an exporter, while at the same time standing aside somewhat from an international responsibility.

Another urgent matter of external relations emerges from the appointment of Mr Sunao Sonoda as Foreign Minister. He is known as a supporter of the long-delayed treaty with China.

they themselves had no dealings with the prisoners at all.

with the prisoners at all.

Obviously some individuals and some units of the Waffen SS were guilty of atrocities—and our camp did contain its quota of known war criminals—but for Dr Benedykt (also November 21) to declare that "Waffen SS was one single organization and all SS divisions were engaged in criminal activities..." seems rather to spoil his case by overstatement. Moreover, I think it is true to say that the policy of

it is true to say that the policy of brutality on the German eastern front was not carried out by units of the Waffen SS alone.

From Mr R. B. Williams
Sir, Herr Meyer is to be congratulated on the invention of his maladroit euphemism for Naziatrocities, what he calls the "negative aspect" of SS behaviour. However, his analogous reference to HM Guards should be refuted. Guards tradition has been produced by centuries of achievement, by

by centuries of achievement, by comparison, Herr Meyer's SS units,

Yours faithfully.

Farnham Lane,

Rissington.

Haslemere, Surrey.

November 24.

FRANK ZIEGLER,

From Mr R. B. Williams

Japan has hitherto been unwilling to accept the clause opposing hegemony on which the Chinese insist but which the Russians complain is directed against them. If Japan signs this, they have said-and Pravda said it again last week-it would be regarded as an unfriendly gesture in Moscow.

Can Mr Fukuda find an acceptable formula? Even if the Chinese are prepared to be flexible it is not likely to be one that will mollify the Russians. Besides, the Russians have yet to sign their treaty ending the war with Japan, the obstacle in that quarter being the seized northern islands which the Russians refuse to return to Japanese sovereignty. Faced with such manoeuvres it is not surprising that the Japanese should have piped up with their own retort by referring to the Sino-Soviet treaty signed in 1950 and valid for thirty years joining the two communist powers against Japan or any power allied with Japan-is tha not cause for present protest? All these are problems for an undecided Japan that will not be solved simply by reshuffling Cabinets.

at their very bravest, could only be described as nine day wonders. Yours faithfully, R. B. WILLIAMS, Sometime Coldstream Guards, 8 Gordon Place, November 24.

Mapping buried history

From Miss C. Lavell Sir, The Ordnance Survey Archaeology Division has begin cancelling its subscriptions to archaeological periodicals. This is only to be expected if the appalling decision to mutilate the division is being im-plemented; but it raises the very important question of what is to happen to a superb working library that has been maintained at the division over a period of more than fifty years. Will it be kept in morthballs for happier times? Will it has a complete library. it be sold as a complete library?
Or will it be quietly dispersed without anyone being given the chance to raise a protest?

Yours faithfully,
CHERRY LAVELL,
Editor, British Archaeological
Abstracts, 24 Fitzroy Road, NW1. November 22

World living standards From Professor M. W. Thring Sir, In your leading editorial of November 22 you wisely and thoughtfully considered the long-

bern strategy appropriate for the British steel industry. I would, however, like to query one point, your use of the phrase "when the recession ends". It is normal in all strategic plan-It is normal in all strategic plan-ming to assume that we shall return to a period of economic growth in the not mo distant future. I believe there are strong technological reasons for supposing that in the long term there will be little if any more growth in average stan-dard of living in the developed countries and indeed there must be a steady contraction as far as the a steady contraction as far as the use of raw materials and energy

Clearly all growth curves must come to a stop, due to the limitation of the earth's resources, among which one must particularly mention easily won petroleum, coking coal and high grade iron ore. The overriding factor, however, is that it is essential to have a substantial growth in the standard of living of all the expanding population of the under-developed countries if world over-population and World War Three are to be avoided.

Report on Argentina 🕏

From the Secretary General of Amnesty International

Amnesty International
Sic, Reporting on Argentina in The
Times of Friday, November 25, your
correspondent Andrew Tarnowski
passed some remarks about
Amnesty International which stand
in heed of correction. He appears
to misunderstand both what
Amnesty International has done and

what it might reasonably be ex-pected to do. Mr Tarnowski sug-

pected to do. Mr Tarnowski suggests that our organization, like other "fiberals' overseas" who have "pilloried" the Argentine military Government, has played down, if not condoned, the activities of tervorist groups in the country. In its 92-page report, he says. "Amnesty carried six fines on six years of guerrilla arrocities". In fact the report contains over 100 lines on guerrilla violence (for the period covered by the report.

lines on guerrilla violence (for the period covered by the report—March to November, 1976), which in the Conclusion is explicitly condemned: "any impartial observer must condemn the outrages committed by leftwing extremist groups" (p 49). The main point, however, is that Amnesty International's function is to work for prisoners of conscience and the bulk of, its work is therefore concerned with the actions of governments.

Whether in fact Mr Tarnowski is

Owing to the limitation of raw materials this growth in the industrial production of the underdeveloped countries must necessarily be accompanied by a contraction in the developed

The basic problem which the developed countries have to solve in the next 30 years is, therefore, to find interesting and worth while jobs for all people in a period when the classical growth industries are contracting. It is clear to most ordinary people that it is far better to subsidize certain activities to employ more people than to have people memployed. However, these areas must be chosen to be relevant to the twenty-first-century needs of a world with twice as many people as at present, and with all these 8,000 million people enjoying comparable standards of living.

1 Genuine human service, such as nursing and teaching. Surely it is better to have classes of eight to ten in the schools than to have potential teachers unemployed.

2 Agriculture Everything we do in farming is to save labour, and is based on cheep oil Again, it is more

satisfactory to turn farms into kitchen gardens than to have people doing nothing.

3 There are many areas of industrial activity which at present are uneconomic and yet which are essential for the future. These include fuel saving equipment and alternative energy equipment (solar and wind), waste re-cycling and extraction of pollutants from air and water countries.

The basic problem which the

Four areas which are necessary for the future life of humanity on a satisfactory basis are:

justified response to terrorist aggression is open to dispute. He quotes with approval a newspaper editor who said, after our report came out. "If they did a report on terrorist atrocities it would probably be much fatter". Yet the implication here is contradicted even by the figures your reporter gives (3,000 people killed by terrorists "since the late 1960s". "7,000 to 8,000 terrorists killed or captured by the military") and in fact these figures require qualification: as our report shows in detail, the scale of repression in Argentina is enormous (probably 10,000 people have "disappeared" since March, 1976) and some of these people are demonstrably innocent of any subversive activity or intent. The gravity of the situation in Argentina has rightly been recognized in

Romania's Jews:

Engineering, Queen Mary College.

University of London, Mile End Road, E1.

Sir. All Romanian democrats will welcome Dr Immanuel Jakobovits' sensitive and authorative reporting on Romanian Jewry today ("For Romania's Jews, the scars are healing", November 17). We are happy to have the Chief Rabbi's confirmation that an older truer Romanian right-wing aberrations of the thirties.

For the sake of the historical truth one should perhaps also record that Romania steadfastly refused to deliver one single "conrefused to deliver one single cou-signment of Jews for the gas chambers. The 425,000 Jewish victims attributed to Romania in the "Yad Vashem" memorial in Jerusalem should rightly be chaked up against the Hungarians, the Russians and the Germans who ruled in Northern Transylvania, Reterable and Northern Bukovina Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina during the holocaust. The Jews in those areas were practically wiped

The Amnesty International report on Argentina was prepared with scrupulous care from extensive documentation. Anyone truly interested in its conclusions should read condemn, unreservedly, the isolated excesses committed, notably at lassy and Bucharest, but, in my considered view, the numbers of Jews in territories that stayed Romanian throughout the last war actually increased, which explains the present 290,000 plus Israeli citizens of Romanian origin. it with more thoroughness than your reporter appears to have done. ION RATIU. 54-62 Regent Street, WL

Marten ennals. correct in contending that in Argentina the government repression may be understood as a November 28. Amnesty International. 10 Southampton Street, WC2.

Yours faithfully.

tina has rightly been recognized in a Times editorial of September 9,

1977, and also by the fact that Cyrus Vance in his recent visit to Buenos Aires presented the Argentine authorities with a list of 7,500 detained and disappeared persons.

From Mr Ion Ratiu

tion that an older, truer Romanian tradition has at last displaced the

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society's Christanas fund, from which

was "Gladly, my cross-eyed bear".

patient receiving regular support will receive a

Christmas gift. The Duchess said she had once heard of a boy who named his teddy bear Gladly after the line in a well-known hymn: "Gladly

my cross I'd bear." However, the boy had misunderstood the title, she said. He thought it

Farmers Company

sent were :

Mr Bryan Robertson was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Contemporary Art Society at the Arts Club last night after his lecture on the condition of art.

Manchester Law Students Society

Middle Temple

The Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple have made the following awards:



COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE November 28: The Duke of Glounovember 28: The Duke of Glou-cester opened an Exhibition of the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission at the Headquarters of the Royal Insti-tute of British Architects, Port-land Place, this evening. Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland was in attendance.

November 28: The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the National Society for Caucer Relief, today opened the Society's Christmas Fair at the Portman Hotel.

Mrs Alan Henderson was in

YORK HOUSE November 24: The Duke of Kent today visited International Com-puters Limited at West Gorton, and in the afternoon opened the Royal Masonic Benevolent Institu-tion's Home at Eccles. His Royal Highness delivered

the Annual Lecture to the Insti-tute of Directors at a dinner held at the Midland Hotel, Manchester. The Duchess of Kent, Patron of the Leeds International Planoforte Competition, this evening attended the opening day of the Leeds National Musicians Platform at the

University of Leeds.
Their Royal Highnesses, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Flight, were attended by
Lieutenant-Commander Richard
Buckley, RN, and Mrs Peter
Wilmot-Sitwell.

Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President of the United Kingdom Girl Guides' Association, will visit the Girl Guides' Association's Commonwealth Head-quarters in Buckingham Pelece Road on Friday to meet the world committee of the World Associa-tion of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

Birthdays today Lord Brown, 69; Sir Eric Drake, 67; Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Greeson, 89; Professor M. E. Howard, 55; Sir Edward Hulton, 71; Professor Frank Kermode, 58; Mr Goronwy Rees, 68; Sir David Steel, 61; Sir Peter Termant, 67.

Forthcoming marriages

Surgeon Lieutenant R. E. Ashton. and Miss P. L. Hayne The engagement is announced petween Richard, youngest son of Dr Eric Ashton and the late Dr Sylvia Ashton. of Dittisham, Devon, and Penelope Louise, only daughter of Commodore and Mrs G. Hayne, of Westover, Tur-leigh, Bradford-on-Avon.

Mr G. M. Hamilton and Mrs D. S. S. Lynn The engagement is announced between Graeme Hamilton, younger son of Jean Lady Bur-bidge, of Tidmarsh, Berkshire, and the late L. M. Hamilton, and Deirdre Lynn, younger daughter of the late Mr and Mrs T. Stirling-

Mr J. L. Marshall and Miss S. E. Mount

The engagement is announced be-tween John Leslie Marshall, 11 Minster Court, Hillcrest Road, London WS, only son of the late Professor W. T. Marshall and of Mrs Marshall, and Susan Elizabeth, only daughter of Mr and Mrs David S. Mount, The Dower House, Petham, Canterbury, Kent.

Major T. La R. Martin and Miss J. A. Treguana and wass J. A. Treganna
The engagement is announced between Trevor Martin, of Hadlow Park, Toubridge, and Jacqueline, only daughter of Mrs Edith Tregunna, of Carshalton, and the late Reverand Frederick Tregunna, BA, formerly of St Augustine's Church, Tooting.

The engagement is andounced between L. A. B. Morris, son of the late T. W. Morris, ICS, and Mrs Doris Hausford, widow of Professor S. Howard Hausford. The marriage will take place on December 17 at All Saints Church, Baschurch, Shrewsbury.

Mr A. R. Wood and Miss P. A. Hill

and Miss r. A. mu
The engagement is announced
between Andrew, son of MajorGeneral and Mrs D. B. Wood, of
Hurtmore, and Penelope, eldest
daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman
Hill, of Camberley. Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:
Mr Alan Lee Williams, MP, to be
a member of the Advisory Council
on Public Records, in place of Mr
Brian Walden, who has resigned. Colonel S. G. Banks to be Com-mandant of the Star and Garter Home for Disabled Sailors, Sold-

iers and Airmen in succession Major Denis Beatson-Hird.

Shakespeare players plan longer Newcastle season

By Martin Huckerby By Martin Hucker-by
Theatre Reporter
In another step towards establishing Newcastel upon Tyne as a
regular third base for the Royal
Shakespeare Company, it was announced yesterday that the company will give a six-week season
there early next year, performing
11 plays in a season a third longer
than this year's.
From February 13 to March 25
it will present a Shakespeare his-

pory series from the Stratford-on-Avon repertory: Herry V, Herry VI (parts one, two and three) and Coriolanus, all with Alan Howard in the title role. The other Shakespeare production will be As You Like It. Five smaller productions will include a new production of Strindburg's The Dance of Death. Pam Gem's Queen Christina, and David Rudkin's The Sons of Light.

Good breeding season tor peregrines

Peregrine faicous have had one of their most successful breeding seasons for several years, according to the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. Nearly 300 young are known to have flown from nests monitored by the

The society's protection scheme, run with full police cooperation, ensured that many vulnerable nest sites were guarded day and night, and others kept under constant surveillance during the nesting period, April to July.

A survey of the present state of hirds of prey by four experts is also published in the society's magazine this month. It says it is unlikely that there are more than a thousand pairs of peregrines in Europe, of which the British population represents nearly half, and is the only one that is increasing.

Latest wills

Manchester

F. Stration, DSc. MD (Manc), director of the blood transfusion service of the North Western Regional Health Authority, has been appointed professor (partitime) of human serology.

H. B. Stoner, BSc, MD (Sheffield), director of the Medical Research Council trauma unit in the medical school, has been appointed to an honorary chair of surgical science.

J. H. Baxendale, DSc (Manc), reader in chemistry, has been appointed to a chair of physical chemistry.

Other appointments Latest estates include (net, before tax; tax not disclosed):
Randall, Sir Alec Walter George, of Oxted, Ambassador to Denmark 1947-52 . . . £25,798
Roebuck, Mr Gilbert, of Huddersfield £631,547

Dale, Mr Thomas Charles, Lightwater, Surrey (intestate) Dalton, Mr Reginald, of Fillo

batton, Mr Reginald, of Fillong-ley, Warwicksbire . . £111,549 Skerritt, Miss Kathleen, of Map-perley Park, Nottingham £196,283 Inner Temple

editation from April 1.

Grains
264,356 from Ministry of Overseas
Development to Dr G. G. Hesshaw,
Issue culture technique and genetic
conservation with the continuous particles
of the continuous from the continuous from
Dr B. Mills. for application of indique
test technique to determine dynamic
body characteristics.
E83,684 anonymous) to Professor
for clinical trial of a commercial
product, dental health.
E18,325 from Department of Realth Sir John Pennycuick has been elected Treasurer of the Inner Temple for 1978; Mr Justice Thesiger has been elected Reader.

public of Germany, and Frau Edrenberg. Other guests included Herr and Fran Hans Helurich Niebel, Mr Harold Walker, MP, Mr Alan Swinden and Mr Norman Bakers' Company

Duchess opens fair: The Duchess of Kept,

patron of the National Society for Cancer Relief, holding a my bear, named Cladly, which was

raffled at the society's Christmas Fair, which she

officially opened at the Portman Hotel, London,

yesterday. The bear was made by Mrs M. Warwick, a blind woman, of Lewes, Sussex. The proceeds of the fair will go towards the

Luncheons

Foreign and Commonwealth Office

Mr J. A. N. Graham, Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held at the Goring Hotel yester-day in honour of Dr Mohammed

day in honour of Dr Mohammed Ali Hachem, Minister of Higher Education, Syrla. The Chargé d'Affaires of Syrla was among the

Royal Over-Seas League
The Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayoress of Westminster, accompatied by Mr J. A. Clewley, were
guests at a luncheon given by the
Chairman of the Royal Over-Seas
League, Lord Grey of Naunton,
and members of the central council at Over-Seas House, yesterday.

Byron Society The Byron Society held a recep-tion at the Royal Institution yes-

terday evening after a lecture given by Dr A. L. Rowse on the Early Byrons. The chairman was Lady Mander, and among those

present were:
The Countess of Longfard. Lady
Caroline Lytton. Mrs Doris Langley
Moore, Mr Richard Byron, Mr Robert
Byron, Mrs Elma Dangerfield. Lady
Daly, Mr Michael Rees, Mr Ien ScottKilvert and Mr Williams St Clair.

HM Government Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State, Department of Trade, was

University news

Other appointments

Officer appointments Lecturers: Agricultural economics. T. Young. BA-Econ: (Nott., MA-Econ.) (Manc., PhD (Call'): law, A. Evans, BA. LLB (Cantaby, N. E. Palmer, MA. BCL. (Oxon.): clinical neurology. I. T. Ferguson. MB. ChB (St. Andrews): neurosurgery, Jagdev Moham, MB. BS (Bristol): computer science, A. Raws-

Dr Robert F. Dearden, BA PhD

(Lond), reader in the philosophy of education, London University, has been appointed professor of education and head of the department of history and pholisophy of education from April 1

From The Times of Friday, November 28, 1952

Slansky death sentence

one of the numerous crimes of which Slanksy stood accused was that he intended to make himself the Czechoslovak Tiro the main

charge against him was that he was "an agent of the Anglo-American Imperialists". The American sec-

imperatisms the American sec-ret service has today become for Communists the external bogy without which revolutionary regimes have never been able to enforce internal discipline.

A memorial service for Mr Jona-than Blow was held in Gloucester Cathedral on Saturday, November 26. The service was conducted by the Rev G. Martin, the Very Rev

Gilbert Thurlow, Dean of Glouces-ter, and Canon Wardle. Mr Detmar

ter, and Canon Wardle. Mr Detmar Blow (50f1) gave an address. Among those present were:
Mrs Blow (widow). Mr Detmar Blow and Mr Amoury Blow (50ms), Miss Sedina Blow (daughter). Mr and Mrs Prilip Warre Cornish Intothor-in-law and sister; Mrs Richard Blow (sister-in-law) Mr and Mrs Frederick de Silva (Jather-in-law) and molher-in-law). Mr Demiond de Silva (brother-in-law). Mr Demiond de Silva (brother-in-law). Mr Demiond de Silva (brother-in-law). Mr Demion Blow. Miss Blacker, Mr Blow O'Naul, Mr Alexand Blow (Cornish Dimah Law) O'Naul, Mr Alexand Law) Comish, Mr Demion Warre Cornish, Dimah Law) Tollenusch.
The Earl and Countess of Phynouth, Lesd and Law) Geinford, Mr R. J. Berkoley, Mrs G. von Mallinckrodt, Licutenant-Countender Grencesenitze Gloucesteshire Branch Coldstream

Memorial service

Mr J. Blow

education from April 1.

25 years ago

Royal Over-Seas League

Reception

Dimners

The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sberiffs, attended the annual election dinner of the Bakers' Company held at the Mansion House yesterday evening. The outgoing Master, Mr Peter L. Clarke, presided, and guest speakers included Canon Richard Tydeman and the Recorder of London. Among other guests were the Bishop of Norwich, General V. Fitzgeorge-Balfour, masters of other livery companies and the presidents and chairmen of the various bakery trade organizations. The Company has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master, Mr E. A. Parker; Upper Warden, Mr C. W. Judge; Second Warden, Mr J. Payne; Third Warden, Sir Charles Taylor; and Under Warden, Mr F. H. Taylor. Tydeman and the Recorder of

host at a dinner held at Lancaster House last night in honour of Mr Li Chiang, Minister of Foreign Trade of the People's Republic of China.

Secretary of State for Employment

Mr Albert Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, was host at a dinner held at Admiralty House last night in honour of the visit to Great Britain of Dr Herbert Ehrenberg, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs for the Federal Republic of Germany and Frau

and Social Security to Dr M. J. Tobin for a study of braille contractions, Strathcylde

Grams

521,295 from Department of Industry
as support for technology exchange unit
under Professor J. T. Barnhy

520,786 from the Science Restarch
Council for work on heat transmission
through structures under Professor
A.W. Pratt.

639,500 from Leverhulme Trust Fund
for resourch on dyslavia, under Dr M.

Manchester Law Students Society The Manchester Law Students Society held their annual dinner at the Horel Piccadilly, Manchester, last night. The speakers were Vice-Chancellor BlackertOrd and Mr M. Whincup. The guests included the presidents of the Manchester Law Society and the Young Solicitors Group, the chairman of the Manchester Young Solicitors Association and local circuit judges and registrars. Today's engagements

The Queen holds investiture, 11. The Queen holds investiture, 11.
Princess Margaret attends ball
held by Guld of Professional
Toastmasters, Hilton hotel, in
aid of Dockland Sertlements of
which she is president, 7.30.
The Duke of Gloucester, Grand
Prior of the Order of St John,
presents trophies at Grand
Prior's Trophy first aid competition, Seymour Hall, 2.45;
attends dinner given by National
Sporting Club, Café Royal, in
aid of the Queen's Silver Jubilee
Fund, 6.

paid for Meissen birds By Geralidne Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

Two vast white figures of vul-tures (70 cm bigh), produced by the Meissen factory about 1731, were sold at Christie's yesterday for £75,000 (estimate £30,000 to £40,000), the highest auction price or record for Meissen porcelan. When they were produced Euro-pean manufacturers had not yet learnt the limitations of the new substance; the aim was to produce sculpture in porcelain and the fire cracks bear witness to the unsuitability of the idea.

That, however, does not detract from the historic interest of the pieces, probably a collaboration of the factory's two great modellers, Kirchaer and Kändler, and made, with other large birds and animals, for the Japanese Palace in Dresden.

Few of those ambitious birds and animals have survived. Yester-

day seems to be the first time that a pair of the same model have been offered at auction; the last single figure made £13,125 at Christie's in 1971. The father of considers in 1971. The father of yesterday's vendor sold a single pelican, the rarest of the birds, at Sotheby's in 1958 for £2,200. The two vultures were hought by a private American collector for his dining room, which already contains four other Meissen white birds.

comains four other Meissen white birds.

The sale also included an exceptional Meissen service split into two lots. It was orginally supplied to Frederick the Great in Berlin and each piece is individually painted with animals or birds. In the 1930s it was presented by Goering to William Randolph Hearst on account of his propaguada for the National Socialist Government in America. It was divided into 32 lots and sold for a total of 171,200.

The top price was paid by the Ansique Portelain Company for two dishes, one painted with a liger, the other with a brown bear, at 14,500 to 12,500). Baskett and Day, who normally deal in prints and drawings, bought several lots, including two soup plates, decorated with a duck and a turkey in land scape vignetics at £1,500 (estimate £1,000 to £1,500).

The sale made £271,645, with 14 per cent unsold. The bidding throughout was highly competitive apart from a handful of items that failed to appeal. Nymphenburg figures are so rare that few collectors are interested; a figure of Douna Martina was unsold at £4,500. Another version of the model made £18,000 at Christe's The Farmers' Company held a livery dinner at innholders' Hall, last night when the Master, Mr Michael C. Cheveley, assisted by the Wardens, Mr Arnold Q. Hitchcock and Mr Robert J. Harrison, entertained the Minister of State, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. Members of past management courses proposed past management courses proposed the health of the company, to which the Master replied and also proposed the toast of agriculture and the guests. The Minister of State replied. Among others pre-

The Permanent Secretary. Ministry of Agriculture. Fishertes and Food, the deputy president. Country Landowners Association. the vice-president, National Farmers' Union, the president National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers, the chairman of council, Royal Agricultural Society of England and the Chairman, the Corn Exchange Company. £4,500. Another version of the model made £18,000 at Christle's last March.
Sotheby's sale of Commental

books yesterday made 541,428, with less than I per cent unsold. A sale of Old Master drawings brought £15,985, with 7 per cent unsold.

unsold.

In Hongkong a Sotheby sale of fine Chinese school pictures made £84,578 with 23 per cent unsold. Conventional decorative works seem to have sold well, with a portrait of Margaret Erskine by George Chinnery at SHK45,000 (estimate \$25,000 to \$40,000) or £5,309.

Bridge triumph for London pair at Torquay

The English Bridge Union's charity congress played at the Palace Hotel, Torquay, last weekend was a triumph for A. M. Hiron and P. J. Steckelmacher, who won both the main events, the championship pairs and the championship teams, with R. J. Rowlands and V. Martin (our Bridge Correspondent writes). Bridge Correspondent writes).

Mrs G. A. Pike, of Somers wis 6. A. Pike, of Somerset, was an easy winner of the Bell Cup for the best performance by a woman over the three days. She won the mixed pairs, was third in the championship pairs and fourth in the championship teams. Results:

Record price OBITUARY

Professor W. H. McMenemy,

PROFESSOR W. H. McMENEMY Neuropathology and medical history

who died on November 24 at the age of 72, was a Feliow of three Royal Colleges—those of the Physicians of London, Parhologists, and Psychiatrists This triple recognition of his contribution to medicine as one of the outstanding neuro-patho-logists of his generation was supplemented by the fact that he had an equally high standing as a medical historian. Notable among his historical writings was A History of the Worcester Royal Infirmary, written while he was pathologist to the hospital and published in 1947 to celebrate its bicentenary. the then Bishop of Worcester pointed out in his foreword. t "had a much wider interest than the city and county of Worcester", and had "only been written after a long period of careful research work, where facts had been collected, checked and verified. These

it to the high level inter-nationally recognized by his William Henry McMenemy was born on May 16, 1905. He was educated at Birkenhead School: Merton College, Oxford, and St Bartholomews Hospital. On qualifying in 1929 he quickly evinced an interest in both pathology and neuro-logy, being a junior demonstra-tor in pathology at his own hospital, and then registrar in neurology at Maida Vale Hos-pital. In due course he was appointed assistant pathologist

in the same capacity in 1937. From 1940 he spent nine happy years as puthologist to the Worcester Royal Infarmacy, returning to London as patho-logist to Maida Vale Hospital in 1949, where he stayed until his retirement in 1970. During the last five years of this period he was Professor of Pathology in the University of London at the Institute of Neurology.

His presidencies were even more numerous than his Fellowships. At different times he screed as president of the International Society of Clinical Pathology; the Association of Clinical Pathologists; the British Neuropathological Society: and the Sections of British Society: and the Sections of Neurology and of the History of Medicine of the Royal Society of Medicine. He was also an honorary Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists of Australia, and an honorary member of learned societies in the United States. France were the criteria that charac-terized all his work and raised the United States, France, Spain and Romania. This national and inter-

national recognition of the esteem in which he was held by his colleagues at home and overseas was not only in respect of the standard of his work, but also of his willingness to help those who sought his aid and advice. Unassuming and the least pretentions of men, he was theart approachable, and his sympathetic understanding proved an infinite help and comfort to junior colleagues. His standards were high and inflexible. at the West End Hospital for but these striving to attain and Nervous Diseases, moving to the Radeliffe Hospital, Oxford. obtain the help they sought.

MISS WINIFRED COATE

Miss Winifred A. Coate, OBE, died on November 23 and her death brings to an end a notable career of service in the Middle East. Born in London in 1893, Winifred Coate spent her early years in her father's Dorset parish. In 1920 she went to the Middle East under the Church Missionary Society and served in schools in Jerusalem. Cairo and Lebanon. Her main contribution was as principal of Jerusalem Girls' College for 15 years: a talented teacher, she inspired both students and staff alike, and was awarded King George's Coronation Medal in recognition of her services. In 1946 she moved to Jordan

as a Church educational adviser. Two years later she happened to be at Zerka, where one of the first refugee camps in Jordan was established. She at once threw herself into the task of bringing order out of chaos. organizing funds and relief, helping the Arab refugees to help themselves. Then she ser about building up Zerka into a model refugee centre, with health, craft and training programmes, at the same time serving on the Near East Christian Council's Refugee Relief Service. She was made an MBE in 1951, and eight years later formally retired from service with CMS.

Then began what was to be-come perhaps the most remarkable chapter in her life. Con-cern for the farmers among the refugees led her out into the desert north of Zerka. Here the remains of Crusader forts led her to believe that ample water might lie under the arid land. Against the advice of geologists. she bought some land in the area and, with a refugee friend

who had divining powers, dis-covered water. Oxfam tack a calculated risk and gave the project £5,000 to sink the first well. Then followed a laborious process of gradually developing the area. Funds came in from a number of charities, and king Husain himself took a great interest in the project, giving a tract of land and naming the village Abdelliyeh in memory of his grandfather, King Abdullah.

Undeterred by countless trizis

and hazards (including, at the age of 77, being bit by a stray bullet in 1970 and spending six days without medical attention). Miss Coate saw the project through its early struggles, developed a comperative and finally, in a typical gesture, in-sisted against their pleas that the Arabs themselves should take responsibility for managing their village and its wells.

Thus she fulfilled her purpose of helping "the homeless and the poor to help themselves, in order that they may establish their lives on a self-respecting basis with a sense of security. and become independent of the

need to accept charity".

In a situation of hopelessness
and despair, Winifred Coate lit
a candle of courageous love: Against all odds, and by sheer hard work and perseverence. leavened with patient good humour, she held true to her Christian conviction. "Contem-plation of the total suffering of whelming and paralysing, but if only a few can be helped to independence, it is worthwhile to help those few."

Last year she was made OBE for her services to the commu mity in Jordan, and she returned to this country earlier this year.

SENATOR JOHN McCLELLAN

Senator John McClellan who had represented Arkansas in the United States Senate since 1943, died on November 27 at the age of 81. A lawyer by profession he was first elected to the House of Representatives in 1934, serving two terms before returning to private practice. In 1943 he was elected to the Senate and had served firm times

served five times.

He came to public notice in the United States in the 1950s

DR LIONEL ROSEN

Dr Lionel Rosen, OBE, one of the first students to enrol at the University College of Hull in 1927, the first chairman of Convocation of the University of Hull and a member of the Council of the University of Hull and a member of the Council of the University of Hull and a member of the Council of the University since 1955 versity since 1954, has died at his home in Hull.

Rosen, a former Lord Mayor of Hull, first studied engineerof Hukl, first studied engineering before taking up law as a career. He was author of Matrimonial Law Offences. During the 1939-45 War he served in the RAOC and was elected to Hull City Council in 1945, serving until 1973. He was Sheriff in 1951-52 and Lord Mayor in 1972-73. In 1972 he was made ORE and elected was made OBE and elected was hade OBE and elected alderman. Rosen was a founder member of the Hull Council of Christians and Jews, chairman of Hull Phisharmonic Society for 20 years and was twice President of Hull Literary Club. In 1964-65 he chaired a working party whose recommendation led to the foundation of the Yorkshire Arts Association.

RICHARD CARLSON Richard Carlson, the American stage and film actor, has died in Los Angeles at the age

of 65. His Broadway shows in-cluded The Ghost of Yankee Doodle with Ethel Barrymore in 1938 and in the following year he made his screen debut in The Young in Heart For a munber of years he played the diffidem youth until he outgrew such roles. Among his many films were No, No Namette (1940); The Little Poxes (1941); King Solomon's Mines (1950); Valentino (1951); Riders to the Stars (1954) which he also direc-ted and The Valley of Guangi

Professor Georges Henyer, the distinguished neuro-psychia-trist, a member of the National Academy of Medicine, died on

during the hearings involving the United States Army and Senator Joseph McCarthy, but rose to prominence as a Senate investigator of labour racket eering. As chairman of the Senate investigations sub-committee he was also much involved in the enactment of anti-crime legislation. Latterly he had given up this role and taken over the chairmanship of the Senate appropriations com-mittee which approves funds for all government agencies.

DR MAURICE **INGRAM**

Dr Maurice Ingram, CBE, former Director of the Agricultural Research Council Research Institute at Langford, near Bristol, died suddenly at his home in Churchill, Avon, on Novembr 15. He was 65. A microbiologist of inter-

national repute, his research had particular relevance to food and he was created CBE in

During the Second World War while at the Low Temperature Research Station in Combridge, he directed work that led to the development of the special rations issued to Allied invading against and to Allied invading armies and to underground organizations in Europe. He was awarded the Haakon VII Liberty Medal by the Norwegian Government in recognition of his services.

He was also Professor of Applied Microbiology at the University of Bristol and retired as Director of the Meat Research Institute in 1973 but continued his scientific activi-ties making numerous trips overseas both in a personal capacity and as a consultant to the World Health Organization. In July 1977 he travelled to Poland where he received the Gold Medal of Honour of the Polish Society of Microbiology for "most outstanding services to microbiology.

He leaves a widow, two sonsand a daughter.

75. He was a former president of the International Sociology Association. His publications included a two-volume work on The problems of Latin America and The End of the Jewish People? He served with the French resistance movement during the Second World War.

INDIAN **CYCLONE DISASTER** 200,000 homeless in urgent need

-50,000 of these are children

Cable received by A.I.D. from experienced relief worker on the spot: "Typical of tragedy is 4-year-old

girl, orphaned in Talakudi village. Child survived in nearby house, but both parents and four brothers and sisters perished . . . great need . . . urge British public to respond generously."

Relief supplies and medical aid desperately required. Please enable us to speed help to those who need it. Every penny you give will go directly to help the victims of this catastrophe.

Please send to: Action in Distress, Cyclone Relief Fund (Dept. TO1), c/o Midland Bank Ltd., P.O. Box IEG, 52 Oxford Street, London W1A 1EG.

President: The Rt. Hon. Lord Gardiner. Hon. Treasurer: The Rt. Hon. Christopher Chataway.

The night sky in December By Our Astronomical

Slansky death sentence
The decline and fall of Rudolf Slansky [sentenced to death with 10 others in Prague] exactly follows the pattern which was drawn in Russia during the Thirties for removing leaders of a Communist state. Dismissal from office is followed by a long period of imprisonment which culminates in a trial, self-accusation and death. This is the road which in 1949 brought to the gallows Laszlo Rajk, the Foreign Minister of Hungary, and Traicho Kostov, the deputy Prime Minister of Bulgaria, It is presumably also the road which is now being trod by the disgraced leaders of Poland and Rumania, Wladyslaw Gomulka and Anna Pauker. There are, however, certain features of the Prague trial which has just ended which make it differ from its predecessors. Three years ago the figure who really stood in the dock in Buldapest and Sofia was Marshal Tito. Throism was then the gravest sin of which a Communist could be accused and all the threads in the Hungarian and Bulgarian conspiracies were made to lead back to Belgrade. Now the emphasis has changed. Although one of the numerous crimes of which Stanksy stood accused was Correspondent
Mercury will reach greatest
elongation (Z1°) as an evening
star on the 3rd, but it will set
only an hour after the Sun and
is unlikely to be seen in the
United Kingdom. It has a large
south declination, which makes it
very low in our sky but more
observable farther south. Inferior
conjunction on the 21st.

Verus is now ruspning into the Verus is now rusning into the surrise and will be lost before the end of the mouth. Mars will be stationary on the 13th, so its morion among the stars is very small, a little to the west of the position shown in the first half of the month, and back again in the second. Moon near it on the 1st and 28th.

Jupiter now rises about sunset and is observable all night. It will reach opposition on the 23rd and be at its nearest and brightest for the year. Moon nearing it on the 24th. the 24th.

Saturn is not quite on the mouthly chart, though it will have risen a little to the south-east of Regules by 23h. Moon in the area on the 2nd and 29th.

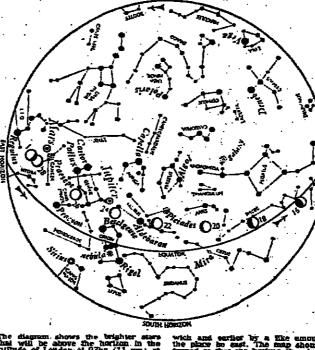
Uranus and Neptune remain unobservable, the former as a morning star rather close to the Sun, and the latter in conjunction on the 8th.

The Moon last quarter, 3d2th; new, 10d18h; first quarter, 17d11h; full, 25d13h.

The Solstice, when the Sun will reach its farthest point south on the celestial sphere, will be at 21d23h, but the earliest sunsets in the United Kingdom will be between the 11th and the 16th, and and the latest sunrises from the

Algol: approximate times of evening minima are 4d22h, 7d19h, 24d24h, 27d20½h and 30d17½h. Mira Ceti: maximum is expected to occur early in the month and the star is likely to be fading by the end. Maximum magnitude is variable but is usually about 3. variable but is usually about 5.

We are approaching the time of year when the Star of Rethlehem will be in some people's minds. What was it? Nobody knows, but over the years many suggestions have been made. One way out is to regard it as either a myth or a miracle, not astronomical at ell, but that is hardly a scientific approach. Let us assume that there but that is natury a scientific approach. Let us assume that there was an astronomical event, but that the story has been "embroidered" in the telling, a basic fact with unreliable details. There have been many ideas, such as a



nova or a comet, but something

astrological seems more likely. Whatever it was would be visible to the wise men of Judaca as well as to those "from the east". In the east was the site of the ancient Babylonian Empire, where for a thousand years or more astronomy and astrology (indistinguishable in those days) had been intelligently studied. Indeed, the area has been described as "the cradle of astronomy". It could well be that the well trained wise men there had interpreted the event, whatever it was, while Herod's advisers had passed it by.
Historical research purs the probable date of the barth of Jesus at 6 BC, and astronomical Jesus at 6 BC, and astronomical research has shown that in 7 BC there was a rare (but not unique) series of conjunctions of the bright planets Jupiter and Satura. They passed each other three times, and were no more than three degrees apart for much of

with and earlies by a like amount if the place he east. The map should be turned so that the horizon the observer is faring (shown by the words around the circle) is at the horizon, the renish being the centre. Greenwich Mean time, known o astronomers as Uni-versal Time and supressed to 24-by the year; this wost surely have impressed the astrologers. That could be the event that caused the wise men to undertake their journey, with "the star went before them" a part of the subsequent story-telling. We shall never know, but it is a reasonable theory.

residents in northern latitudes can residents in northern latitudes can see the sky at its best. With darkness coming early, the summer stars such as Vega, Deneb and Altair can still be seen (see maps for September and October) for an hour or two after sunset, and well before midnight the winter constellations. Orton, Gemin and others will be up. winter constellations Orio Gemin and others will be up. The Milky Way can be seen to better advantage in the early evening, as it is brighter in the Cygnus-Aquila region than in Auriga-Canis Major. On Christmas Day late reveillers will have a full mean to help them have

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Professor Georges Friedmann the French sociologist died in Paris on Nov 15 at the age of

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BUSINESS NEWS

Mini revolution in Russia's ear plants, page 19

Rivals unite

for \$5,000m

Nigeria gas

Nigeria is to go ahead with

construction of a large liquefied natural gas plant in part-

nership with five foreign oil

companies. The gas will be for

A forma: announcement by

Nigeria's military rulers of a

new sharebolding agreement is

expected shortly and will signal

the start of real progress on the

plant deal

Big banks divided Hattersley over size of increase in base lending rates

Banking Correspondent

Uncertainty over the shortterm outlook for interest rates has led to sharp differences of opinion among clearing banks

Leading the way, National Westminster announced an in-crease in its base rate early in-the day of a full 1; per cent to 7; per cent. This was fol-lowed by Lloyds which limited jits rise by 1 point to 7 per cent.

Barclays, usually the paceset ter on base rate changes, and Midland both preferred to wait o see "how interest rates shape up" before changing their base rates.

Apart from Courts, part of the NatWest group, the other banks are taking a back seat until they see which way Bar-clays and Midland move. The rises are in response to the increase to 7 per cent from 5 per cent in the Bank of Engand's minimum lending rate.
To buttress the profitability of their domestic banking operations, which have come under mounting strain this year as a result of the rapid fall in interest rates. NatWeet and I longe st rates, NatWest and Lloyds

have widened the margin between their base and deposit rates from 3 to 3½ per cent— NatWest is raising the rate on seven-day branch deposits by a point to 4 per cent while oyds has kept the increase down to { per cent to 3} per A split on base rates last developed just over a year ago when Barclays pushed up its rate to 14 per cent, half a point more than the other three clearers for a brief

The major banks can stay out of line for a short time, particularly with a growing proportion of lending to corporate customers now tied to money market rather than base rates; but the compatition but the competitive pressures are such that account switching

Money market rates, how-ever, failed to give a decisive lead to base rates yesterday. The key indicator for base rates, three mouth inter-bank rate, continued to firm throughout the day to close at almost 7 per cent, but it was not strong enough to suggest another rise in MLR this week. another rise in MLR this week. If rates do level out it seems likely that Lloyds could turn out to have packed its increase correctly. But Mr John Monrgomery, chief general manager of Lloyds, was leaving his options open by saying that "should there be a further rise in the research level of retering his control of the research level of the retering his control of the

we may well have to increase our base rate further". Both Barclays and Midland are expected to make their base rate moves in the next day or

While base rate changes will be reflected in overdraft borrowing—personal customers pay between 3 and 5 per cent over base rate—there is kittle chance of any immediate change in the costs of borrowing else-where

City panel reprimands NatWest ex-employee

· A £500 share dealing profit made by a National Westminter assistant bank manager has ed to a public reprimand from

The panel has accused the former assistant manager, Mr. R. Ellerton, of insider dealing when he made a share purchase on April 13 this year.

The reprimend follows an nquiry which centred on a 60p-eshare takeover bid by JWI, a Canadian company, for the Fritish group, C. H. Johnson & The JWI offer was made

public at 4 pm on April 13.

However, early in the afternion a copy of the announcement was noticed by Mr Ellerton, who worked at a major artifect branch which was in-NatWest branch, which was inelved in the negotiations.

He telephoned his stock-

broker and, using the name of friend who happened to be a ent of the same firm, asked r the price of Johnson's

Although it was apparent his action was wrong pressed his regret to the concurrence had not been had not been had public, Mr Ellerton over the profit to a approved by the panel.

name of the friend and these were purchased at a price of

The friend who was out of the country and had no know-ledge of the transaction subsequently accepted the JWI offer and paid over the profit on the The Stock Exchange launched

an investigation into dealings at the request of Johnson and the results of it were passed on to the company, which then made its own inquiries. Ellerton, as soon as he became aware of these invest

informed his superiors at the bank of his purchase and they immediately carried out an In a statement issued last night the panel says that Mr Ellerton was in breach of role 30 of the Takeover Code, which

covers insider deals. Mr Eilerton, who has since left NatWest, has accepted that his action was wrong and ex-pressed his regret to the panel. He has also said he will pay over the profit to a charity

guidelines for review of competition By Derek Herris

An inter-departmental work-ing party to review competition

policy was announced yesterday by Mr Hattersley, Secretary of State for Prices and Consumer

The review, with an interim report called for as a matter of urgency by the spring, could result in the criteria governing the assessment of the desira-bility of particular mergers and monopolies being rewritten.

monopolies being rewritten.

Mr Hattersley made it clear
that it was possible existing
mergers could be affected once
new legislation was put through.
But in that respect there could
be practical difficulties, he
pointed out.

He was looking to more
government intervention in pursuit of an increase of efficiency,
including an encouragement of
competition. This could spread
to the securities market, he said.

competition. This could spread to the securities market, he said.

Asked if that meant the Government was moving towards the setting up of a system like the Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States, Mr Hattersley said that would mean waiting for the marking party's report for the working party's report as well as that of the Wilson committee.
Possible changes in mergers

and monopoly policy will be the first priority of the review, which will then move on to other aspects of competition policy such as restrictive trad-ing practices, where the ques-tion of the professions is expected to have a big part.

expected to have a big part.

The working party has also been asked to consider whether the Office of Fair Trading (OFT), the Monopolies and Mergers Commission and the Price Commission should be fused into one organization.

At the moment Mr Hantersley is inclined to favour such a fusion, but there are expected to be arguments that one body should investigate and a separate one make judicial judgments, rather as the OFT and Monopolies Commission do at present.

Major changes from the review are some likely to be a job for the next Government than the last sessions of the present one. A discussion Green

review has been promp

The review has been prompted by increasing concern about the growing concentration of British industry,

Mr Hattersley maintained that there was no clash with the Government's industrial strategy which could lead to amagamatic. tion of companies. Decisions there needed to be made on a case-by-case basis. He planned to amend the Fair Trading Act 1973 as soon as possible to make this clear in relation

Nationalized industries, now under Price Commission scrutiny, will not come within the scope of the review.

In reassessing competition criteria the working party will look at problems of product domination and whether market share benchmarks will need to be changed. The position of conglomerate companies will be will be confirmed with Swan Financial Editor, page 19 Hunter.

was about \$600m larger than market expectations and compares with a September deficit of \$1,720m.

The dollar immediately weakened on the news. It touched DM 2.21 and 2.14 Swiss frames both record large before the second large than the seco

france—both record lows—before recover-ing alightly at the London close. Japan held the yen down to close at 240.25 to But the size of the deficit last month

America's trade gap widened to a record \$3,100m (about £1,700m) in October. This

to some extent exaggerates the underlying trade gap. A dock strike on the east coast of America has distorted the payments figures for both September and October. It began on October 1 and some exports were brought forward in anticipation. were brought forward in annipation. There was a large rise in overseas sales in September and a consequent drop of \$1,730m in October to \$9,190m. Imports also fell, to \$12,290m from \$12,630m.

Ms Courtenay Slater, chief economist of the Department of Commerce, pointed this out when announcing the October figure

US trade deficit grows by \$3,100m

porary factors rather than from a worsening in the underlying position.

When September and October are averaged the performance on both imports and exports seems little different from the previous six months at about \$10,000m and \$12,500m respectively.

So far this year the United States has been in deficit by \$22,400m compared with a deficit of \$4,010m in the first 10 months of last year. This spectacular deterioration has been the reason for the dollar's fall against major currencies in the past few months.

Latest figures show the United States trade gap running at an annual rate of \$27,000m. This is in line with recent forecasts both from the American Administra-tion and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris. An expected surplus on invisible trade should make the current account deficit

about \$10,000m swaller.

The size of the gap is due to huge

Iran supports two-year

price freeze by Opec

By Roger Vielvaye

prices for 1978.

two year freeze.

Iran has again said it will

support a further freeze on oil

prices when the 13 ministers

from the Organisation of Petro-

leum Exporting Countries meet

in Venezuela cext month to fix

After the Shah's Washington

statement that Iran would back

moves for an extension of the

price freeze, Mr Jamschild

Amouzegar, his Prime Minister,

told a Kuwain newspaper yes-

terday that he would support a

Iran was once among the lead-

ing advocates of higher oil-

prices but their move into the moderate camp should ensure

tional price moderate within

Opec, should have little diffi-

culty in imposing an extension

of 1977 prices into 1978, even

against the will of the other

Mr Amouzegar said that a.

price rise could adversely affect

the balance of payments in

developing countries and would

not be advisable during a seri-

ous glut of oil throughout the

world, which was forcing some

Opec members to sell crude at below agreed levels. He did not

Mr Frank Chapple (left), general secretary of the electricians' union, Mr Benn, and Sir Denis Rooke, chairman of the British Gas Corporation, at yesterday's meeting

Although Iran and Saudi

Arabia make a formidable part-

nership around the Opec con-ference table, they can expect

some opposition from many of the other members, although Opec sources do not expect any of them to dissent publicly from

an extension of the price freeze.

Arabia's staunchest supporter on prices, is reported to have cut the 1978 ceiling on produc-tion by 16.4 per cent, according to a Middle East Economic Sur-

North Sea costs up! The cost of extracting crue oil from the North Sea is still rising steeply according to Dr Jack Birks, technical director of BP Trad-

that a company contemplating the commercial exploitation of a 100,000 barrels aday field

next year would need to invest £100,0000 for each of these

After addressing a North Sea

After addressing a North Sea workshop organized by the Off-shore Centre, Dr Birks said he was not referring specifically to BP's Magnus field which is a 100,000 barrels-a-day proposition and which is expected to get the development go-ahead

from the BP board next year.

However, using Dr Birks' formula, Magnus would cost about £1,000m to develop—

almost the same price as BP's 500,000 barrels-o-day Forties

Meanwhile Abu Dhabi, Saudi

increases in oil imports and the relatively weak demand for American exports. The latter in turn reflects the much faster growth in America than in the rest of the

growth in America than in the rest of the industrialized world.

Last month's figures were helped by a drop of 3.9 per cent in oil imports. The dollar's fall so far this year has been concentrated against the strong Japanese, German, Swiss and British currencies.

In effective terms the rate is scarcely changed from the level of a year ago, and only about 2! per cent down on its best level of this year.

Gold: The price of gold jumped by \$3.25 an ounce in London yesterday to close at \$161.625. Dealers attributed the rise to a general unwillingness to sell in view of the dollar's continued weakness.

The price is still well down on its recent

The price is still well down on its recent highs of \$167-\$168 an ounce.

Sterling closed up 0.1 on the effective exchange rate index at 63.3, with a five-point gain against the dollar at \$1.8190. The dollar closed at DM 2.214 and 2.143

Energy panel

favours AGR

development

As the Cabinet prepares for

a series of discussions on the choice of Britain's next nuclear

reactor system, the newly formed Energy Commission has come out strongly in favour of the British designed Advanced Gas Cooled Reactors (AGRs).

After presiding over the in-augural meeting of the Com-

mission yesterday. Mr Wedg

wood Benn, Secretary of State

for Energy said there was no doubt about the message from

Commission on nuclear

scheme which is likely to cost between \$4,500m (£2,500m) and \$4.900m. Two separate schemes have Swiss france. peen under discussion for several years but the participauts of the two schemes liave agreed to join forces with the

federal military Government to establish a single facility to be located on the river Bonny. If the plans proceed, Nigeria could be shipping its first gas to the United States and Western Europe early in the 1980s. But it will not be until well into the decade that the project will achieve its designed capacity of

1,600 million cu ft of gas daily. Last year the Nigerian government, through its state oil company, reached a new shareholders' arrangement wifth Shell and BP for the Shell BP LNG plant, but little further progress was made as discussions continued on the rival project involving Phillips, Agir of Italy, and Elf, the French oil company

company.

Both projects were included in the country's third national development plan but the Nigerian government, which is having to revise priorities in the light of falling oil revenuts and balance of payments problems—appears to have persuaded the Phillips consortium to join forces in a single veri to join forces in a single ven-ture. This will result in con-siderable savings on the contruction of roads and other facilities.

The new shareholding agree ment will give Nigeria a 60 per cent stake through its state oil company. Shell and BP will each take a 10 per cent interest, with Phillips and Agin accounting for a further 15 per cent, and Elf taking 5 per cent Representatives of the coni-

panies recently completed a tour of possible locations and industry sources indicated that The Cabinet will have to decide whether to sanction a new programme of AGRs as pre-qualification tenders could be sought within the next three advocated by Mr Benn, the Electricity Council, the TUC months enabling construction to start early in 1979. and now the Energy Commis-sion, or hedge their bets and authorize joint development of the AGR and the American-Initial gas throughput of the pressurized water reactors (PWRs), as suggested by the Central Electricity Generating Board. A decision is expected before Christmas.

million and 600 million cu ft a of gas have not yet been signed but the partners are believed to have received prehminary number of customers.

Mr Benn said concern was expressed at the day-long meeting of the Commission that development of both systems The project will eventually require a fleet of 14 to 16 LNG might stretch resources too thinly and affect the British carriers each costing about \$150m. Competition for the industry's ability to continue research into the fast breeder contracts will be keen, Sweden has already expressed interest in building some of the ships and buying gas from the plant. After minor amendments, Mr Benn is expected to publish

Peter Hill

Peace call by stewards at Tyne yard

By Our Industrial Correspon
Outfitting workers employed
by Swan Hunter at its Tyneside yard will this morning be
asked to lift their three-month
overtime ban which threatens a £52m contract British Ship-builders wants to place with the company as part of the £115m Polish shipbuilding con-

The 1,700 workers will attend the mass meeting this morning at which the shop stewards will recommend a return to normal working. The breakthrough came after more than four hours of crucial discussions

cussions between national union leaders and the shop stewards. British Shipbuilders had sought written guarantees from Swan's workers and all others involved in the Polish contract on full cooperation and normal working in order to meet the tough delivery provisions of the contract and avoid heavy

penalty payments.

But the shop stewards had refused to provide the guarantees and lift the ban despite warnings from British Shipbuilders that the orders would businers that the orders would be reallocated to other yards. In that event Swan Hunter, which is running out of work, would have issued redundancy notices to 700 workers After yesterday's talks on Tyneside, Mr Gavin Laird, national executive members of the Augicanated Uniter of Fa-

the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers, said: "We have been in touch with British Shipbuilders and we would not be putting this resolution to the men tomorrow morning that the p will be that the seven ships come to this part of the world." The outlitting workers have been operating the overtime ban in support of demand for pay parity with boilermakers employed at the yard. This would involve a rise of more than £7 a week, and breach the Government's pay guidelines. Last night a spokesman for British Shipbuilders said: "If the meeting decides to lift the overtime ban and we get the written guarantees, then there is little doubt that these ships

Kuhn Loeb in American banking merger

Lehman Brothers Inc and Kulm Loeb and Co, two old-line United States investment bank-ing firms, announced in London yesterday that they had agreed in principle to a merger

Ownership of the two firms will be vested in a holding company with operations conducted under the name of Lehman Brothers Kuhn Loeb Inc. But international operations of the combined firm will be con-ducted under the name of Kuhn Loeb Lehman Brothers Interna-Mr Peter G. Peterson, chair-

man and president of Lehman Brothers, and Mr John M. Schiff, chairman of Kuhn Loeb, said in a joint statement: "On both sides we consider this not simply as a merger of two fine names, but as a marri-age of two profitable firms that

complement one another. Under the merger, which is expected to be completed by December 16, Mr Peterson will

the combined firm.

Mr John Schiff will be honorary chairman of the board of the combined firm, and Mr David Schiff will be a member of the board.

Eurosterling issue by Fisons

Two new. Eurosterling bond issues were announced yester-day, one for £10m by Fisons, the fertilizer, pharmaceutical and agrochemical group, and the other, for £25m, by the European Investment Bank.

The Fisons issue, the first in Eurosterking by a British industrial group, will be a 10-year note, the indicated copponing 10 per cont. Proceeds with eing 10 per cent. Proceeds will

be put towards reducing short-term indebtedness. The EIB issue is a 15-year stock with an indicated coupon of 9} per cent. There will be a purchase fund operating on a quarterly basis for the first 10

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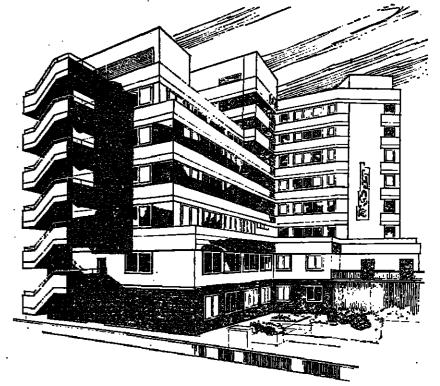
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the first of the Commission's

policy documents as a green paper early in the New Year.

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Crown Agents report for MPs on Thursday stage faced liabilities of up to

The report by a departmental committee of inquiry, led by udge Edmund Fay, into the reumstances which led to the frawn Agents for Overseas Adinistrations requesting finan-ial assistance from the Governcut, will be placed before the iouse of Commons on Thurs-

At the same time, the Govinment is proposing to publish tenual report on the Agents' The Crown Agents were baled out by an £85m grant and a sperations, prepared in 1972 by a committee under the chairmanhip of Sir Matthew Stevenson.

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nature of these two reports, Crown Agents, which will shed light on how £400m of risks. the Crown Agents organization A special realization account, breame insolvent and at one which has helped in the rescue

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Gill-edged securities lost early

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Sterling closed at 1.8190, 5 points up. The effective exchange rate lader was at 63.2.

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Wall Street

How the markets moved

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13p to 220p 1p to 65p 1p to 15p

£400m, the Government is expected to make a special statement to MPs and there may be a White Paper about the Crown Agents' future in the light of the Fay report's findings.

Yesterday there were indica-tions that the Fay report will disclose names in charting the story of the Agents' financial disaster and commenting upon the responsibilities of Wintehall departments and ministers.

Act covering the unincorporated Crown Agents, then exposed to

9p to 109p 7p to 50p 15p to 400p

2p to 30p 6p to 79p 3p to 43p 41p to 49p

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Rand Mine Prop Sp to 105p
Rothschild 9p to 164p
Sectombe Mar 5p to 215p
Tranwood 1p to 31p
Walker & Homer 21p to 101p
W'sley Highes 5p to 162p

Gold rose \$3.25 an ounce to \$161.625.

SDR-£ was 1.18780 on Friday

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while SDR-E was 0.653823. Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1497.5 (previous 1490.4).

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presently in deficit by £197m. with government financial sup-There have been rumours that big liabilities face a subsidiary, maintain the confidence of Millbank Technical Services, maintain the confidence of

whose liabilities have been transferred to the Ministry of

In April 1976, the present Government published a White Paper on the Future of the Crown Agents, outlining its provisional ideas for creating a new structure, with accountability to Parliament. However, the proposals were made "subject to any modifications which may be desirable when the findings of the Fay com-mittee become available". A Government statement on

Thursday will comment on the Fay findings and indicate its further ideas for reforms of the

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EEC steel orders up Orders for steel products in September at European Community steelmakers totalled 7,249,000 metric tonnes, up 18.4 per cent from August but 2.2

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particular aspects of the crash of the Vehicle and General Insurance Company. Keyser Ullmann sues stern group chief for £1.5m

customers around the world,

More tricy is the question of

providing an opportunity for

anyone named in the Fay report to answer any allegations

or comments. A judicial Tribunal may be necessary since government departments.

former ministers, the Bank of England and former Crown

Agents and officers are con-cerned. Drafting the terms of reference can be no easy task. The powers of a Tribunal under the 1921 Tribunal of Enquiries Act were used to inquire into

property group chief, was said for nearly £1,500,000 by Keyser Ullmann, in the High Court yesterday. The claim by Ullmann against Mr Stern, whose group of companies crashed in 1974 with the collapse of the property boom, arises out of a personal guarantee given on June 14, 1973, for cash due or owing by one of

his companies, Magnum Hotel

Mr William Stern, former

(Manchester) Ltd. Mr Lionel Swift; QC, for Ull-mann, told Mr Jusice Talbot that Mr Stern, disputed the claim on the basis that it was wenforcveable against him.

"We say that that is not right", consel commented.

The hearing continues today.

per cent below September, 1976, according to figures from Eurostat. the Community Eurostat, the Statistics Office.

Resistance by shopfloor undermines foundry aid

By Charlet Webb Mr. Selfagian has been warned that the Government's £80m gram add scheme to modernize the iron foundry industry is being undermined by shop floor opposition to new methods of working in the reequipped foundries.

This opposition is being maintained at the face of yet more country closures. Latest returns from the council of the Iron Foundaies Associations (CFA) shows that 30 more have closed since the aid scheme was introduced in August, 1975, and recently doubled from

Mr John Pearce, chamman of the CFA and a member of the Ferrous Foundries' little Neddy, said yesterday that he had personally told Mr Callaghan there was an urgent Brussels talks on textile between union leaders serving on the little Neddy and their members on the shop floor.

Pact no nearer accord
From Michael Hornsby nced for closer cooperation In reply, the Prime Minister

had said management and unious were partly to blame because they were slow in implementing planning agree-ments with the Government. Mr Pearce, whose own con-

rand of the way through a F50m modernization pro-ramme comments on this new threat to a depressed industry in the current issue of his works newspaper Pivot.

"For some reason the industrial strategy does not seem to have been understood at factory floor level. In order to get the most out of investment, changes had to be made. No one likes change, and when it came to making them in manning and flexibility, operators of new plant and equipment—many who had previously agreed after full consultation—refused to work the new plant."

Appealing for more coopera-tion from workers, Mr Pearce went on: "It cannot be too clearly understood how very serious is the present fall in demand for iron castings

Geneva, Nov 28

No early let-up in current protectionist pressures is foreseen in a Gatt study published today. "The malaise seems to

have its roots in a number of structural weaknesses and mal-

adjustments of much earlier

ordgin", it says.
In the 1960s the growth of real wages overtook that of productivity in most industrial countries. Thus trends in the

growth and composition of the

labour force in industrial coun-tries "make it unavoidable that

Transport and distribution misuse | Axle dispute costing exporters £1,000m a year

France, Germany, and Holland, of £500m direct costs arising a study by the National Econo-from inefficient and costly dismic Development Office revials. tribution of British exports, and It urges a big national effort a further 2500m from wasted by governments and industry to assets, manpower, and lost upgrade the transport and dis- sales. tribution sector from its present. These lowly place in board and mana-gerial thinking to one in line arise not from inefficiencies in with the fact that it absorbes 8 to 12 per cent of the delivered cost of manufactured goods

abroad. London press conference yester-

Export inefficiences and de-lays are costing British industry.

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The £1,000m figure is made up button were now available, many of £500m direct costs arising companies had failed to capital

costs, which are

Britain's transport system which to 12 per cent of the deliverd is at least as good as other cost of manufactured goods countries, but from industry's abroad.

Introducing its report at a Jim Fetherston, chairman of the study group and head of one of day Lord Hayter, the little the country's biggest freight Neddy chairman, declared that forwarders, declared yesterday, many United Kingdom compan—Exports to Europe had rism ies did not even know who by 400 per cent since the Export looked after their transport to Europe conference in 1966 functions, and Britain's manu- and ro-ro traffic through Dover

companies had failed to capital ize on them.

The man taking the decision even in major United Kingdom concerns was often one with virtually no status, little profissional training, and few career prospects. Nor was industry prepared to let its senior people participate in the vari-ous national bodies concerned with transport and distribution.

The report—Trading with Europe: Through Transport and the Total Export Concept urges a major drive by govern-ment, industry, and trade associations to raise the importance and equality of distribu-tion management in British industry.

man of DRL added that no one was completent about the

chance, he said,

The yard at Methil was put
on a care and maintenance basis
eather this year through lack
of orders. Yesterday work began

on RDL's share of the contract to build the basic structure for

the Texaco Tartan platform, which is to be delivered to

Union d'Enverprise Industrielle (UIE) of Cherbourg for com-plesion. The contract is worth £10m to the yard, and will give

work for one year to 450 men.
The company said new working agreements at the yard had been reached which would largely eliminate the sort of

oemarcanon dispute which had in the past been a problem. "We are starting off again with an intent from everyone employed here to deliver the goods," a company official said. Texaco was relying heavily on the Bruish and French company of the Bruish and French company of the grant open and the gran

the British and French com-panies completing their parts of the confect by May 1, 1979. Mr Waterstone said inade-quate market development and the effects of some of the failures at Methil had led to the works being put in moth-balls and many of the men dec-lared redundant.

nercation dispute which had

'Last chance' warning to Redpath yard

Brussels Nov 28
The European Commission

today moved into the final phase of its negotiations with more than 30 textile exporters in Asia Latin America, Africa and Europe.

and Europe.

With the deadline for conclusion of the negotiations only two days off, the Community has still to reach agreement with four of the biggest textile suppliers, Hongkong, India, South Korea and Brazil.

Although the European Commission is still publicly committed to completing the nego-

mitted to completing the nego-tiations by November 30, it is clear that the most to be hoped for is an understanding with the major suppliers, and even that looks sucreasingly diffi-

The Commission's intention is to hold imports of low-cost next year to a level of about 1.1 million tonnes.

This implies an average

ennual growth rate of about 6 per cent against rates of up to 22 per cent in recent years. But much lower growth rates are being sought for sensitive

Gatt study sees growth of protectionism

In addition, nigidity of wage differentials in a country increases the vulnerability of

declining industries to foreign competition and also hampers

dynamic industries in attracting the skilled labour needed

for expansion.

The study, by Richard Black-

hurst, Nicolas Marian and Jan Tumlir, develops the argument

that tariff protection—provided it is not increased over time—

is less damaging to economic

By Ronald Faux

A warming that the oil platform yard of Redpath Durman
Long (North Sea) at Methil in
Fife had been given a last
chance to prove itself was
sounded yesterday during a
visit by Dr Dickson Mabon,
Minister of State at the Department of Energy.

Dr Mabon made it clear that
the Government and the oil It was hoped that by Novem-ber 30 some 900,000 totales of textile imports would be covered by quota arrangements under bilaterally-negotiated "reasonable departures" from the provisions of the Multi-

Tariffs and Trade.

Renewal of the MFA for another four years was egreed in principle earlier this year. Whether the EEC will feel able to sign the protocol re-newing the MFA will depend on the current negotiations, whose outcome will be whose outcome will be examined by foreign managers at their meeting in Brussels on December 19 and 20.

If the negotiations break

Fibre Arrangement (MFA) of the General Agreement on

down or the results are con-sidered madequate they could decide to take undateral measures to curb textile imports from January 1, even though there are fears that this could provoke a general trade war. Contingency plans for unilateral action have already

been drawn up. Business letters, page 19

government policies directed towards reducing economic

The study concludes that economic stability demands

speedy adjustment to con-

standy changing conditions:
"Non-adjustment accumulates,
maladjustments grow, until a
correction is enforced by a
more or less severe breakdown,

the repercussions of which often spread far beyond the particular industry.

truck output

A four-month dispute at Earon Axles, Aycliffe, co Durham, is preventing British commercial vehicle manufac-turers from cashing in on the long-awaited improvement in truck demand which is now under wav.

threatens

British

Eaton is part of the Ameri-canowned Eaton Corporation and is this country's leading heavy axle manufacturer. So serious is the threat to truck production that some of Eaton's biggest customers are switching to other suppliers, including Rockwell (also American owned) and Guest Keen & Nettlefolds.

To keep these losses to a minimum Eaton is believed to be importing limited supplies of axles from its own factories in Spain and America.

8 pc of world shipping tonnage still idle

Idle world shipping rose for the sixth successive month to reach 48 million tons or eight per cent of the world merchant fleet at end-October, the General Council of British

Shipping said today.

This figure compares with a high point of 55 million tous in March last year, and a low point since of 32 million tous point since of 32 milion tons in April this year. It comprises 342 tankers and 309 dry cargo ships. The United Kingdom figure fell slightly from 2,775,000 to 2,757,000 tons representing 5 per cent of Britain's merchant fleet. A year as more than 3 million Dr Mabon made it clear that the Government and the oil industry would be watching the performance of the yard closely. The expectation was that DRL was back in business and competing in an international market.

Mr David Waterstone, chairman of DRL added that no me year ago more than 3 million tons of United Kingdom ship-

Building exports record

ping was laid up.

future. It was their second chance, he said, Record exports of building materials and components were forecast by Mr Ernest Armstrong, Under-Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment, when he visited British exhibitors at the 11th International Building Exhibition in Paris yesterday. He said that £485m worth of exports had been recorded during the first half of this year, against total exports of £801m last year and £555m in 1975.

Tokyo imports offer

Japan is expected to tell the European Community this week that is is prepared to cut import duty on goods such as winsky, brandy, chocolate and biscuits to help redress the balance of trade, government sources said yesterday. Officials from Japan and the EEC will meet in Brussels on Thursday and Friday to discuss ways of reducing the EEC's deficit.

Leyland strikers back

Production at Leyland's Longpridge plant returned to normal yesterday after 70 vehicle testers had walked out last week demanding reinstatement of a night shift worker sacked for punching a worker he thought was having an affair with his wife. The man was back on unpaid suspension while the management reviewed his case. The dispute cost more than £1.5m in lost production.

EEC's 'bullying tactics' over textiles show total disregard for Hongkong

United Kingdom and in Europe should know of the strong feelings in all sections of the com-munity in Hongkong at the apparently bullying tactics of the EEC negotiators on textile quotas. Among many expressions of opinion the Hongkong Christian Industrial Committee has sent an open letter to goveruments and churches in Europe which makes the follow-

ing points:

(i) The unitateral decision of EEC representatives to break off negotiations shows a total

turies from free trade which, as colonial powers, they were able to impose on others. Now, when other countries are ready to share in free trade, the EEC o share in free trade, the EEC Rishop's House, wants to change the rules.

(iii) The EEC intends to cut November 22.

From the Bishop of Hongkong and and Macao redistribute them to less developed countries. We reject the EEC's way of doing charity

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

at our expense. (iv) EEC representatives have so far refused to discuss proposals put forward by Hong-

kong and rejected concessions "We call upon the Govern-ment of the United Kingdom to assume its special responsibility

for the 4.3 million people of Hongkong, and not give in to the unitateral pressure of protectionist interests."

I write on behalf of the large numbers of workers and their families whose livelihood is

disregard for this territory where 50 per cent of all industrial workers are in the textile industry.

(ii) The countries of the EEC were able to benefit for central workers are in the textile industry.

(iii) The countries of the EEC were able to benefit for central workers are in the textile industry.

(iii) The countries of the EEC were able to benefit for central workers form of old-fashioned colonialism. shioned colonistism.

Yours sincerely, T GILBERT BAKER, Bishop of Hongkong and Macao,

The best links between university and industry

Sir, Mr McAfee's letter today (November 23) overlooks perhaps the single most important factor governing university/industry relations. The behaviour of academic staff can be explained as a perfectly rational response to the universities'

reward system. On appointment (at ever younger ages, as has already neen said) the main criterion is proved or potential research capability. Candidates from industry, especially those from the manufacturing areas, are at a considerable disadvantage

here. For the first three years after appointment, the new lecturer is on probation and he quickly learns that security of tenure is dependent upon his ability to demonstrate further his prowess at research. As anyone who has midd both will know who has tried both will know, however, it is usually much quicker to achieve publishable results in purely academic work han in industrial research, if only because the latter involves a number of inevitable delays

arising from the fact that the research is not totally within the control of the lecturer concerned. There is, therefore, 2 strong incentive to put off starting industrially related research until after probation has been safely passed. By now, however, attitudes will have hardened, and our ambitious lecturer will have begun to realize that industrially oriented research carries no additional benefit for the next

Industrially oriented research in universities is organization-ally more difficult to arrange. slower to complete and usually published in less prestigious journals; it will, therefore, continue to be the least favoured route to academic engineerine promotion in enginecring departments. For this situation to change, it would be necessary for industrially-based research to be rated more highly than the academic variety. This can only be achieved in these

departments if industrial representatives are brought into the decision-making process at the crucial stages of first appointment, probation and promotion to senior lecturer and especially to professor.

It should be added that the introduction of boards of studies, suitably stiffened with industrial representatives, provides a still more effective method of bringing engineering teachers into contact with industrial reality, while at the same time demonstrating to industry the constraints of the academic world. Experience in our own board studies shows that such industrial members form the best possible links between a university and individual companies. Yours faithfully,

A. E. B. PRESLAND, Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering Science and Industrial Management, School of Engineering Science and Industrial Management, University of Liverpool, Ashton Building, PO Box 147. Liverpool L69 3BX November 23.

Commercial potential of canals

From Commander E. Mack, RV Sir, I feel that there are mar-people who would support the Chairman of the National Waterways Transport Association (November 22) in his view that waterways are an in-valuable arm of our transport system. It is the most efficient and economical (about one fifth of the fuel per tonne, mile compared with road transport, method

As a result of certain pressures, our hugo investment in motorways and the way we allow heavy iorries to travel without paying their full road provision and maintenance costs (see the Government's Consultation Document on Transport Policy), not to men-tion environmental costs, we continue to use road transport

as much as we can. Perhaps we should learn from our EEC partners on the Con-tinent, where there is a huge and expanding canal system. It is surely to this that we should be connected so that our goods can be loaded and unloaded as near to our factories as possible and the proper use made of our big canals and estuaries where 300 tonne (and larger) barges can operate. There is much idle capacity for this sized traffic up the Trent to Nottingham, to Leeds and South Yorkshire, up the Seven, the Thames, the Weaver and

others.
If the Government allow funds to enlarge the Sheffield and South Yorkshire Navigaand South Torsaine Saring-tion, 750 ronne barges will be able to reach Mexbarouch (only 10 miles from Shelffield) Efficient distribution must result in lower charges for our imports and exports and hance more trade and employment. Yours faithfully,

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Engineering designers

From the Chici Officer, the Technician Education Council Sir, Those of your readers who have been following the recent correspondence about engineering design may be interested to know that the Technician Education Council is setting up a working party to study the educational needs of engineering designers at technician level. This committee will include members drawn from the Design Council, the profes-sional institutions in engineering and the engineering em-ployers as well as TEC itself. Its work may well lead to the development of a TEC higher award in engineering design. Yours faithfully. F. G. HANROTT,

Chief Officer, Technician Education Council, 76 Portland Place, London W1N 4AA. November 23,

A good belting in the desert helps us grow even more

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uncertainty.



Above: Part of the manufacturing process of steel cord reinforced conveyor

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components in North America for the original equipment:

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If Russia does not claim to have invented the motor car, it is now making up for loss

time. Production this year will be approaching 1.4 million units, or four times as many as in 1970, and further expan-sion, though admittedly not at

the same rate, is envisaged in the next Five-Year Plan which

Nearly half the output comes

from the giant Toglianti plant on the Volga river which makes

the Lada, a Russian version of the Fiat 124. It is probably the

Following yest-day's.

article which

examined the

problems confronting

American car

makers, we look

today at the

development of

the industry

in Russia

biggest integrated car produc-tion complex in the world, making practically everything apart from tyres, glass, some electrics and a few mechanical

components. Togkiszti lies 600 miles east

of Moscow and the arrival of the car industry has created a new city of 200,000 people on

nezias in 1981.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Implications of the Hattersley review

Mr. Hattersley's review of competition policy. & Lyle/Manbré merger last year showed which is to be conducted by senior civil that merger and monopoly policy could be servants and economists with a brief to produce a first report by the spring could worries over the new review will be that herald a far more actively interventionist agency than exists at the moment. A combination of the present Prices and Monopolies and Mergers Commissions, which is envisaged, possibly including the Office of Fair Trading would create a body with wide powers to influence the structure and performance of industry and commerce.

The implications for the financial community are profound. The review has its background both in the recent growth of conglomerate mergers—bids by Lonrho, Trafalgar House and S. Pearson spring to mind. Moreover, academic research which would suggest that even the promoters of mergers were dissatisfied with the results and up to 50 per cent of merged companies would have been more profitable on their

Unless there have been clear monopoly implications, most mergers have until now been decided in the market place. The review group will consider whether this should change. A central theme for discussion will be whether the current criteria for allowing a merger through, that it does not damage the national interest, should be replaced by the tougher sanction that it should be of benefit. If that were to happen, the role of the shareholder would be yet further diminished.

The strength of the share price of a company, theoretically at least, is the ultimate check to foolish bids and unpopular mergers. Practically, the test for accepting an offer is always whether income (and to a lesser extent, capital growth) would be greater by agreeing to the hid than by staying with he victim. Judgment is open to criticism, but a change in the system threatens one of the tew real remaining powers of

It may well be, however, that the concentration of ownership of British industry, which is greater than our competitors, has inhibited growth.

But the conditions have opened the way for a major interventionist agency which is bound to act closely with the National Enterprise Board and could have immense powers to affect the profitability of companies and could even order conglomerates to disinvest. Making an investment would become much

The recent reference of the Smith/Bisgood merger to the Monopolies Commission shows from another angle that there is less than satisfaction within official quarters that the financial community is the best judge even of its own affairs. The temptation for a new agency to involve itself more in the City

Any move that threatens the markets' role must be worrying to the City. As the Tate

RTZ's uranium maze

Judgment on an appeal by seven directors

The judgment will be one facet of a com-

lex series of litigation and investigation

into the marketing of uranium earlier in the

decade. To certain extent it turns on the

most spectacular shorting operation in the history of commodities—Westinghouse

Electric Corporation went short 65 million

pounds of uranium it had contracted to

supply at an average price of \$9-\$10 a pound.

The Law Lords ruling will initially have

an impact in a multi-party action which is being heard in Virginia and in which West-

inghouse, the world's largest manufacturer

of nuclear reactors is being sued by several

public utility (power) companies over fail-

wider implications. If RTZ executives, in-

cluding the chairman Sir Mark Turner, are

forced to testify on the existence and activi-

lies of a uranium producers' cartel, of which

RTZ is alleged to have been a member, the evidence taken in the Virginia Court hear-

ing could be used against RTZ and six subsidiary companies which are being sued

by Westinghouse in another action in

Illinois. Potential damages being sought by

However, the ramifications have much

ure to meet uranium delivery contracts.

against being forced to give evidence before

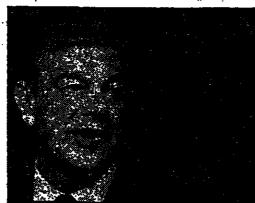
and senior executives of Rio Tinto-Zinc; as \$6,000m.

Fisons

Funding in the Euromarket

Fisons yesterday became the first British industrial group to announce that it is to raise funds in the Eurosterling market. It is not going to be the last: the attractions of apping this new source of funds are considerable.

First, of course, there is the worthwhile saving in debt servicing thanks to the lower cost of external sterling. Second, the Euromarket presents the borrower with lenders happy to commit funds on a medium term basis—a facility that may well be far more attractive to many companies than the traditional 20 year plus loan stock market in the United Kingdom.



Sir George Burton, chairman of Fisons.

Thirdly, the Euromarket tends to be iar less demanding of a company in terms of covenants, the "negative pledge" (protecting the lender vis-a-vis other creditors) often being the only real demand on a company of reasonable status.

Whether or not any British companies are contemplating using the market to finance large-scale overseas investment remains to be seen. It may well be too early to contemplate issues bigger than the proposed £25m issue by the European Investment Bank (also announced yesterday), though there was some speculation in the market yesterday that the size of this issue could be creased if the demand was there.

Certainly, the latest rise in domestic interest rates looks to have done nothing to upset the market, Eurosterling rates easing slightly yesterday and the ECSC issue tending firmer.

Westinghouse in this action could be as high

But there is also a United States Grand

legislation, while recently the Tennessee Valley Authority, which is one of the utili-ties now suing Westinghouse, has filed its

own action against 13 uranium producers,

Whatever the decision of the Law Lords, the Westinghouse saga still has far to run. RTZ faces the Illinois action (and now the TVA action as well) although it denies the

jurisdiction of the Court except in relation

to two subsidiaries and totally denies

liability. The last annual report stated that

it was not considered any loss would result from the proceedings and that no provisions

If the Law Lords rule against the RTZ the Government, which has come under pressure from the Australian, Canadian and

French governments, may try to forbid RTZ

personnel from giving evidence to a United

have passed laws preventing their uranium

producing companies from handing over any

information and in the House of Lords hearing the Attorney General, Mr Sam Silkin,

has accused the United States of a "serious excess of jurisdiction" in attempting to obtain evidence from foreign nationals.

States court. The Australians and Canadians

had been made in the accounts.

including RTZ.

an American court will be handed down by Jury investigating the uranium industry for

under licence and the Italians also provided the technical know-how for the establishment of the factory. It officially opened in 1970 and 28,500 cars were made in the first year. Now a new Lada comes off the line every 20 far as the eye can see. The workers, recruited from all over the Soviet Union, earn on average 170 roubles (£127) a mouth, not a princely sum year will be 680,000.

On December 17 last year the the harmonization of funda-EEC Commission submitted to mental aspects of the law of

Both questions have to be answered in the affirmative, In the United Kingdom the Manufacturers. Agents Association has said that there are 20,000 agents in this country and for a long time has demanded the

the EEC Commission that there exists a social interest calling for harmonization of some aspects of agency law is thus correct. Moreover, some protective legislation exists in most European countrie within and outside the EEC.

What, then, should the commission do? In should withdraw its draft directive and start again. A new draft directive should be submitted which should have three-characteristics: a much restricted definition of the agents intended to be covered the protection of the agent's claim protection of the agent's ciaim in case of insolvency of the principal; and the regulation of a goodwill indemnity after termination of the contract of

Russian cars mini revolution

Many live in flats provided by the company in drab 12-storey tower blocks a short bus ride from the factory. The

ride from the factory. The single workers sleep two to a tiny room, share a cooker and fridge with two colleagues, but

fridge with two colleagues, but pay only seven roubles (65.50) a month in rent, Their life is, very largely, their work.

The factory itself looks superficially like any otherafter all, the basic means of putting a car together his not changed since Henry Fordexcept that it is fanatically clean (a Russian trait) and impresses by sheer size. The main assembly line, with three tracks and a fourth shortly to

tracks and a fourth shortly to be added, is a mile long and cars are laid on to take you round it.

The age of mass motoring

has come late in Russia, and even now there are barely five

million cars on the roads com-pared with 14 million in

Britain and more than 100 million in the United States.

Krushchev called the car a foot-smelling armchair on wheels and gave it little encouragement and the Mosk-

encouragement and the Mosk-vich factory, set up in 1930, took 37 years to make its first million vehicles. But two years after Krush-chey's fall from power in 1964, an agreement was struck with Fiat to build the 124 model under licence and the Italians

The Lada engine assembly line at the Togliatti plant.

Not only is the car of effect an 11-year-old model Russians have provided their own overhead camshaft engine and given it thicker metal and a higher ground clearance— but much of the machinery but much of the machinery that builds it has come from Britain, West Germany, France. Italy and the United States. It is to help pay for this equip-ment that the Lada is sold in the West—at obviously unrealistic prices.

Bur having exploited Fiat's expertise, the Russians seem determined from now on to go their own way. The first indica-tion of this is the Niva, a small four-wheel drive hatchback which has recently gone into production at Togliatti. production at Togliatri.

Designed particularly for offroad motoring, and only a fifth of the national road net work is paved, it does use some Lada components but is basically a

Looking further ahead, the next five-year plan embraces production of a front-wheel drive "supermini" on the lines of the Ford Fiesta and Fiat 127. With a tailgate and one litre engine, it promises to be the most advanced car ever built in the Soviet Union. A design team is busy at work so that the car can be launched -probably at Togliatti—early

design—though the and, even so, much more sophisticated than the other Soviet volume cars, the Moskvich the Zaporozhets. The Moskvich, made on the outskirts of the Russian capital, enjoyed a brief of years ago but was withdrawn by the importer, Satra Motors, as not being up to standard. But Satra has decided to keep

the concession open and it seems that a more modern Moskvich may be on the hori-zon. If a film shown to visitors to the Moskvich plant is any guide, the future model could luok rather like the Saab 99—
The future of the Zaporozhets, named after the town in the Ukraine where it is built, is uncertain. This is a car that has never been sold in Britain

though a few are exported to
Italy, Greece and Austria.

The Soviet car industry expects to export 350,000 cars this year, about a quarter of the total. (Incidentally, Russia must be one of the few countries in the world that does not import cars.) The Eastern block countries are the main customers but the Lada enjoys steady sales in Britain—nearly 13,000 this year—Finland, West Cermany.

Belgium and Holland.
Pricing policy is interesting, to say the least. On the Russian market the Lada costs between 5,500 and 7,500 roubles (£4,000) on the conjugation of Meanwhile it is worth point to £5,600), or the equivalent of ing out that the Lada is, in 21 to 31 years' earnings of the

average Togliatti worker. wonder that only 4,000 of the 100,000 workforce own a car. credit scheme. Also, if a Russian wants a new car he has to wait 18 months to two years for it. But if the car is sold for

western currency, entirely different rules apply. A British correspondent based in Moscow has just bought a new Lada: he. got it more or less immediately and paid only a quarter of the "Russian" price. In Britain, "" the Lada range is several hundred pounds cheaper than com-parable West European or Japanese cars. The clear implication is that the Russian motorist is being asked to subsidize the purchase of much-needed pounds and marks.

Despite the tremendous ex is as well to get the Russian car another Japan, nor is it likely to be for some years. For one thing, Russia does not have the roads and the service back-up to sustain a huge car population. But the example of Togliatti shows that events movequickly when officialdom decrees, and the prospect of western markers being flooded by Soviet-produced superminis at knock-down prices cannot be taken lightly

Peter Waymark Motoring Correspondent

Agents caught in the web of an EEC directive legal as they are protected by the code du travail; and it would enable Germany to employee to which the agent

Council of Ministers a agency? draft directive on the har-monization of the law relating to self-employed commercial travellers or representatives.

The draft directive has been strongly criticized in the

Strongly Criticized in the United Kingdom. The Law Commission, which was called in by the Department of Trade for assistance, concluded that stance, presentation and draft-ing are such that it fails even to provide a basis for negotia-tion.". the directive's defects of sub-

The House of Lords select committee report states that the members of the committee are unconvinced that these interferences are, as the commission contends, called for so as to prevent competi-

This criticism is justified.

The draft directive on commercial agents is over-embitions. Instead of restricting itself to a few provisions aimed at protecting selfemployed agents, the commis-sion has attempted to prescribe sion has accomplish to prescribe a rigidity drafted model con-tract of agency which is lar-gely based on German law and obviously unsuitable for this

Moreover, the commission has overlooked that the concept of agency is fundamentally different in English law, compered with continental law. Nevertheless, the question arises whether an attempt should be made on the European level to be armonize some pean level to harmonize some aspects of the law relating to aspects of the law relating to confinercial agents. The answer depends on two considerations: is there in the United Kingdom a group of people who have a potentially weak bargaining power and require protection, and does the establishment of the EEC require

Now that we have at last recognized the importance of small business for our economy, it is time to take this claim seriously.
Further, agents are still

employed internationally. British exporters use them in other EEC countries and do not carry on business there only in the form of wholly-owned subsidiaries, joint ventures or through independent, distributors.

In the latter two aspects the In the latter two aspects the position of the small agent should be approximated as far as possible, to that of the employee. Such regulation would be in harmony with the reality of the situation. The small agent, although self-employed and normally

Clive Schmitthoff

remunerated by commission, is, economically speaking, comparable with the employee, who normally is remunerated by way of salary.

If the commission achieves If the commission achieves some degree of harmonization on these key issues, much will have been accomplished. Above all, the commission should desist from attempting to prescribe a model contract—the agency situation in the various trades is too different for that.

The three topics which a new directive on agency should cover require further explanation:
1. The definition of "com-

mercial agent" should be res-tricted to, a self-employed intermediary who has continuing authority to negotiate and/or conclude contracts for the sale of manufactured goods in the name and for the account of the principal. That definition should be subject to two quali-fications: first, member states should be at liberty also to impose a financial limit, namely to provide that the pro-tection of the directive shall apply only to agents whose annual turnover does not exceed a certain amount, say,

Secondly, member states should be entitled to extend the protection of the directive to commercial agents other than those engaged in the sale of manufactured goods. That would enable France to extend the protection of the directive to VRP (voyageurs, representants, placiers) who are repre-sentants bénéficiaires du statut

extend the protection to Han-delsvertreter, as provided by the German Law of 1953. Such an arrangement would

take account of the different member states. In any event, part-time agents, such as housewives selling for a mail order house, should be order house, should be excluded from the protection of the directive.

2. On principle, agents falling under the directive should in the insolvency of the principa, be trated as if they were employees. That, indeed, is provided by article 22 of the present draft directive. It is a sound principle, but it is not

easy to carry out in practice.
In the United Kingdom, under the Employment Protection Act 1975, the preferential claim of employees is for a sum not exceeding £800 and accrued during four months before the receiving order. The £800 limit appears to be appropriate for arrears of agent's commission, but it may be questionable whether the time limit of four months is appro-

stances the employee can recover his claim from a government department which then takes the place of the employee in the insolvency of the employer, but a claim of an agent against the government department for arrears of com-

mission would be ruled out completely.

Difficulties arise also with respect to the employee's claim for holiday remuneration, time

will never be entitled.

It follows that it is impossed. sible to equate the claim of the agent for preferential treatment of arrears of commission with the employee's should allow the member states considerable discretion to adapt the principle to the provisions of their national law.

nanonal law.

3. The harmonization of the claw relating to goodwill indeminity after termination of the contract of agency is the most difficult but also the most portant problem. Here, it would be desirable to provide two rules.

tutory claim for goodwill ingle demnity if the contract was for a definite time, unless it is continued after its expiration a Secondly, where the contract is? for an indefinite time or is a continued time contract, a statutory claim for goodwill into demnity should arise, provided that the agent has been active a for the principal for a certain. time, for example, for two

The amount or the statutory claim should be fixed by the ordinary courts if the particle cannot agree; and the courts when fixing the amount should take into consideration the length of service of the court the value of the goods. agent, the value of the goods will which the principal has acquired as the result of the agent's activities, the agent's average earnings from the agency and other relevant cir-

cumstances.
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Business Diary: Written in water? • Animal crackers

Can corruption be cured by self-denying ordinatices and international agreements or will the corrupt simply ignore these and go about their seedy business as before?
This question will be at the heart of the debate being held today in Paris by the governing coun il of the 54-notion Inter-national Chamber of Commerce

the business version of the United Nations. The council will have before it the second draft of a report prepared by an international commission of eminent men mich proposes tougher govern-ment measures to fight bribery, a voluntary code of conduct for business which would ban bribes and kickbacks, and the exting up of an international Pinel to police the code. This second draft is a much watreed down version of the elter criticism from the French, the West Germans and

the Belgians Several commission members particularly its chairman lord Shawcross, a former British attorney general, Jean Rev. the Belgian who presided over the European Economic Commission from 1967 to 1970. and Sheik Yamani. Saudi Mebia's petroleum ministeradvocates of tough measures. So have Zaki Mustafa,

Caremely onary at the way in which the power of the noticing panel were severely curtailed in the second draft. and the Iranian banker Gasem kheradiou.

Less easy to discern is pre-*ad within the national com-

mittees of the ICC has been rallying the opposition. One important figure thought to be less than wholly enthusiastic is commission-member 76-years-old Jacques Georges-Picot, honorary president of the Campagnie Financière de Suez et de l'Union Parisienne—the old uez Canal Company.

The French view seems to be tat you cannt cure corrupthat an international policing panel may be open to abuse, with companies denouncing one another to it for reasons of malice.

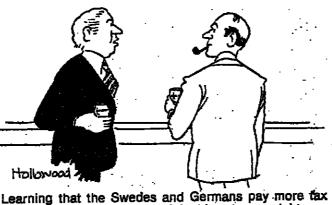
How will today's vote go?
The ICC council may well anopt the code but will remit the question of the policing parel for further consideration. a compromise that will not please Shawcross, Yamaui, Mustafa, and Kheradjou.

The City is used to coping with bulls and bears, but elephants and donkeys are some

They and many assorted animals and birds arrive at Heathrow Airport's animal quarantine station, run by the City Corporation for greater London and, in practice, for the rest of the country.

The new station, opened in February, has all the facilities needed to deal with a market that is increasingly important, not least since the menace of rables threatens British shores. In its first six months of operation, however the station has lost £117,000, not at all what the money-conscious cor-

poration had in mind.
The Port and City of London Health Committee, chaired by Brigadier John Packard, have



than we do has been a terrible blow to my righteous indignation.

even considered closing the station but decided the station's national importance and the corporation's own statutory duties came first.

The brigadier wants to maintain the station because of his knowledge of the horrors of rabies gained during military service in India. He istrying to get the govern-

ment to contribute towards runnow asked the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for permission to reduce the charge for birds and beasts staying at their "hotel".

At present the minimum charge for an elephant is £60 for 24 hours. It is proposed to introduced a six hour stay for £15, which could produce more custom, and the same criterion will apply to others. A donkey, for instance, could stay for 56, instead of 524 as before, while a medium-sized dog or a large

cat would cost £2.40 instead of \$9.60.

Today in London, lighting engineers will be discussing, among other things, how to measure laser power. Seventy years or so ago, the problem concerned the measurement of light emitted by gas mantles. Leading light at the conference, entitled The International

Lighting Scene, is the National Illumination Committee, which arranged it to review research at the half-way point between the forums held every four years by the Commission Inter-nationale de l'Eclairage (CIE). The CIE came into being in 1913, was extinguished briefly during the 1914-18 War and held its first full session in 1924.

"In effect this defines as average human eye and is the international basis for the measurement of light, without which there would be chaos and confusion."

Now, the priority is to find

some adequate way to describe the quality of light as opposed to its mere quantity. Since the power crisis, the subject has become increasingly important, as people have realized sie need o make more use of less light by improving its direction, for The conference, which will be

hear reports on a variety of lighting matters, including applications for stage and studio, for roads, down mines, up in the air and for sports.

Regarding the latter, lighting engineers are intrigued by the suggestion of Kerry Packer, the

Australian sports impresario, that he might televise floodlin cricket. As the experts point out the technical problems are great-

what with getting the light right for the television cameras while ensuring that the batsmen can see the ball. They are now wondering if he knows something they don't

Following the American with drawal from the International Labour Organization (ILO), the Chinese have also decided to pull out from this United Nations agency, albeit "temporarity". This defection is not Here, according to its immediate past president Walter Stevens, occurred probably its since joining in 1971 the most important single achievement—the establishment of a curve of spectral luminous porarily. This defection is not likely to worry the II.O as much as that of the American for the most important single achieve. Chinese have not paid any subscriptions and owe the II.O. \$9.8m (about £5.4m).

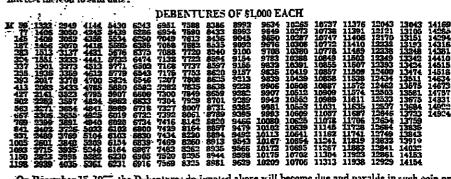
off and so on; all these are preferential claims of the

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION To the Holders of

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81/4 c Guaranteed Sinking Fund Debentures Due 1987

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Fiscal Agency Agreement dated as of December 15, 1972 providing for the above Debentures, \$350,000 principal amount of said Debentures bearing the following serial numbers have been selected for redemption on December 15, 1977, through operation of the Sinking Fund, at the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest thereon to said date:



On December 15, 1977, the Debentures designated above will become due and payable in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts. Said Debentures will be paid, upon presentation and surrender thereof with all coupons appertaining thereto maturing after the redemption date, at the option of the holder either (at at the corporate trust office of Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, L5 Broad Street, New York, N.Y. 10015, or (b) at the main offices of any of the following: Morgan Guzranty Trues Company of New York in Brussels, Frankfurt am Main, Loulon, Paris and Zurich: Bank Mees & Hope NV in Amsterdam: Banca Vonwiller & C. S.p.A. in Milan and Rome and Credit Industriel d'Alsace et de Lorraine, S.A. in Luxembourg. Payments at the offices referred to in (b) above will be made by check drawn on a dollar account, or by transfer to a dollar account maintained by the payee with a bank in New York City.

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former attorney general of the Sudan who was reported to be

Why London dominates the art markets

When one thinks of the European art market one's first thought is of London, such is London's dominance in the world of art sales. This preeminence is above all due to the London auctioneers Sotheby's and Christie's.

These two alone had a turnover of some DM750m (£187.5m) in 1976-77, more than total sales in auctions, art fairs and galleries in West Germany.

We should not, however, forger that these figures for Sotheby's and Christie's also include substantial sums carned by both abroad, particularly Sotheby's From Sotheby's £122m we have to subtract £44.3m turnover in the United States. More than one fifth of the remaining £77.7m came from sales in Europe.

Major jewelry sales, for instance, are held in Geneva, because of the liberal import-export rules and for tax reasons. On November 10 Christie's disposed of over 24m Swiss francs' worth (£6m) of jewelry at four sales in Geneva. Even after these deductions, London

is still Europe's premier art market. This was not always the case. It was only after the Second World War that London toppled Paris from first place. Only two years ago Paris was hoping to regain the leading position. The reason was the introduction of a 10 per cent buyer's commission at Sotheby's and Christie's in 1975. Until then only the seller had had to pay a 10 per cent

The low costs were an important factor in London's leading role in the European art market, but after only half the season Souren Melikan, the influential art critic of the International Herald Tribune, declared that Paris's hopes were not being realized. This is because London rates, even after the introduction of the buyer's commission, are still reasonable.

Paris has, however, firmly established its second position: the gallery Hotel Drouot showed a turnover of 501m francs (£56.8m) last season, almost as much as the second largest London firm. Christie's, tits move to the more

Lloyds Bank

Interest Rates

Lloyds Bank Limited has increased its Base Rate

from 6% to 7% with effect from

Tuesday 29th November 1977.

The rate of interest on 7-day notice Deposit accounts

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an important contributory factor.) Paris is the main centre for seventeenth and eighteenth-century furniture.

West Germany's art market is decen tralized, in contrast with England and France, where the art markets are localized in the capitals, London and Paris (as they were centred on Berlin in the days of the Third Reich). There however, a degree of concentration in Munish, but almost every major West German city has a large auctioneers and there are some 20 of international reputation in the whole country.

While London and Paris handles all forms of art works, most West German firms are highly specialized, and these can achieve prices in their special fields that are quite comparable to those reached by the competition in London

and Paris.
The Cologne firm, Lempertz, for example, specializes in art of the Middle Ages, and the highest price for a Madonna of this period (DM 330,000) was recorded in their salerooms. Hauswedell and Nolte in Hamburg is famous for old books and graphic works; Neumeister in Munich is known for nine-teenth-century paintings, and Stargards has a reputation for autographs that extends beyond West Germany. Ruef in Munich specializes in furniture, and Nagel in Stuttgart has built up a name for carpets.

Turnover on the West German art market is of the order of DM 500m a year, which puts it in third place in Europe behind France and the United Kingdom. Estimates of turnover in the art world are likely to he lower than the true figures because not all trans-actions are shown on the books.

It is for this reason particularly difficult to assess the Italian art market with any degree of confidence, although it is concentrated in the two centres Milan and Florence. It has suffered visibly from the 35 per cent VAT, and in order to evade this burden transactions must go through the "grey" market or go abroad, with the result that the official home market is declining steadily.

Armin Loewe



Mr Peter Williams, managing director of Amdahl (UK), with Mr Bill Brant, BOC Datasolve's London Central Datacentre manager (seated), after the installation at Sunbury.

Datasolve installs first **Amdahl in Britain**

BOC Datasolve has installed the first Amdahl computer to be delivered to the United Kingdom at its Sunbury data centre. Amdahl Corporation, California-based, has concentrated on highperformance large computer systems which use IBM software.

The Sunbury system, a V/5 model, is the fifth Amdahl to be delivered in Europe, and is the 81st such installation worldwide. It will be used for BOC Datasolve bureau customers and as a test centre for the V/5 in

Europe. Mr Peter V. Williams, a for

Computer news

mer IBM executive, has been appointed managing director of Amdahl (UK), Hounslow, Middlesex, and general manager of the company's northern Euro-

pean operations.

In his 17 years with IBM
United Kingdom, Mr Williams
held positions which included largesystems marketing mana-ger, director of industry systems, and product management manager responsible for the introduction of new products.

Sanders/IBM system

First outcome of the product development agreement signed between IBM and Sanders Associates last January is a new interactive computer graphics

system Known as the IBM 3250 enable graphs, plots, charts and drawings to be displayed and modified on a screen for design, testing and analysis work.

Developed by Sanders, the system will also be manufactured by the Nashua New Hampshire company, under the direction of IBM United Kingdom laboratories at Hursley, Hampshire, and the IBM plant at Raleigh, North Carolina. The Hursley laboratories are responsible for the architecture of the system design; engineering specifications; industrial design and product assurance.

Changing emphasis

Increasing use of intelligent terminals in distributedprocessing work has been reflec-ted in an all-in service which has been introduced by Baric Computing Services, jointly owned by International Compu-

ters and Barclays Bank. Known as Datacare, the new service provides remote-batch processing on an on-line basis. Baric will provide the software and the intelligent terminals which will link the customers with the Baric computers.

Recommended by Baric is the ICL (ex-Singer) 1500 range of terminals. As well as the hard-

ware and software, finance can be provided through Barclays. Mr Peter Holland, Baric managing director, said: "I will forecast that in a very few years' time intelligent terminals will become almost as common place equipment in business systems as the typewriter."

New guides

Two recently published books giving outlines of different aspects of contemporary computing are intended for smallcompany manage development amd engineers respectively.

The first is Computerization for the small business by Edward Cluff and Alan Simp-son (published by Input Two-Nine in conjunction with the Data Processing Management Association at £9.95). This is a layman's guide for

directors and senior line managers which sets out to guide the reader through the many problems involved in choosing, running and getting the best out of his computer system.

Microprocessors their development and application (Electrical Research Association, £39), the ERA brings up to date its detailed rechnical SULVEY microprocessor devices, a field which is advancing perhaps more rapidly than any other.

any other.
Current technology trends are described (including details of 150 devices from 40 manufacturers) in relation to the needs of new users and

Kenneth Owen

FINANCIAL NEWS

Despite four years of recession Thyssen plans a dividend

From Peter Norman,

Bonn, Nov 28 Thyssen, the West German steel and engineering group, announced that it should be able to pay a dividend of DM5.50 per DM50 nominal share for the financial year to September 30. Thyssen paid DM7 for 1975-76.

At a time when Germany's Hudson's Bay slips steel industry is entering its fourth year of recession, the fact that Thyssen is planning to pay a dividend testifies to its decision some years ago to

diversify away from its narrow steel producing base.

The group disclosed that its crude steel production fell by 8.5 per cent to 11.7m tonnes in the past business year, and that its mass produced steel sector finished 1976-77 with much heavier losses than in 1975-76. On the other hand, Thyssen's special steel production, its investment goods and manufacturing division and its trading and service sectors made

The group reported that its supervisory board has approved new investments totalling DM930m for this year, most of

Hoechst follows BASF Hoechst, the Frankfurt based Hoechst, the Frankfurt based chemical group, saw that its world wide pre-tax profits declined by 15.8 per cent to DM825m in the first nine months of this year. Sales advanced slightly to DM17,380m from 17,180m. Peter Norman

Parent company earnings before tax also fell to DMS15m from DM636m on a reduced turnover of 7,150m compared with 7,240m.

Hoechst is the third of the big three German chemical companies to publish figures for the first three quarters of this vear. It experienced a sharper earnings fall than Bayer, but its

earnings fall than Bayer, but its results are roughly in line with those published by BASF.

Hoechst said that the profit drop reflected sluggish turnover trends, falling selling prices, growing pressure from imports on the home market and difficulties in export market and difficulties in export market and difficulties in export market are reflecting the grader size. kets reflecting the steady rise of the Deutsche Mark on or the Deutsche Mark oreign exchange markets. Hoechst reported that at pre-utilisation had

sent capacity utilisation had fallen to around 69 per cent

International

from 80 per cent in the spring and that 3,500 workers were on short time.

Toronto-Hudson's Bay nounces net earnings for the nine months ended October 31 of \$8.5m or 60 cents per share, compared with \$8.6m or 62 cents per share. Sales and revenue increased

5.6 per cent to 51,005.186.000 from \$951,817,000 for the same period in 1976.

Merchandising and natural resources earnings in the third quarter were improved over the comparable period last year. reflecting a continuation of the trend in the first six months. Earnings from real estate, however. continued to reflect a shortfall from the previous

The trend of consumer spending in the third quarter was generally unchanged The group plans to The group plans to open a further six stores in 1978

Gen Immobiliare plan Rome.—Generale Immo-biliare is seeking approval from creditor banks for a new plan to salvage the group, involving financial interests linked with tralcementi Immobiliare said.

Creditor banks are expected to meet later this week to discuss the proposals, under which the group will ask for continued credit and funds to finance bids for contracts abroad, it was

The new agreement was reached late last week between Immobiliare's, managing director, Señor Arcangelo Belli and Rome construction and finance Nome construction and mance businessman, Senor Carin Aloisi, who is backed by Pesenti, a spokesman said.

Under the plan, creditor banks will be asked to accept real estate assets to cover part of Immobiliare's existing debt, and no convert into shares a

Braun sales up 5 pc

Kronberg.—Sales of Braun Group, part of Gillette of the United States, rose 5 per cent in the year ended September in the year ended Septemper 30 to a record high of DM812m, the group said.

It gave no earnings figures but said that they are expected to show a rise. Last March, possibility of eventually expand-Braun reported a 13.4 per cent ing the group's capital base by increase in net profits to the issue of shares.

DM9.14m for the 1975-76 year Braun said, thought that sales were strongly influenced by currency swings and foreign price inflation. Parent company sales rose 7 per cent to DM574m. The share of exports in total sales rose to 62 per cent in the year from 60 per cent the year before.

cent the year before. The electrical household and consumer appliance manu-facturer said that while many European markets continued weak other foreign markets showed good growth. Sales of newer electrical products were especially successful.—AP-Dow

German bank payouts

Frankfurt.—Leading West German banks have had rela-tively good 1977 carnings, and in coming months should remain among the leading sheres subject to stock marker interest, analysis at Deutsche Gro-zentrale-Deursche Konmunal-bank (DGZ) said.

forecast that Deutsche Bank will have the best earnings result, but like Dresdner Bank will pay a DM9 dividend carrying a DM5.06 tax credit. Commer-bank cash payout should fe'll to DM8.50 from DM9 with the tax credit at DM4.78.

Estel sales drop

Sales of Estel NV Hoesch-Hoogovens, the Dutch-Ger an joint steel concern, fell by 4.3 per cent in the third quarter to F12.300m (about 2511m), posting a loss of F186.2m. In the first nine months, sales rose slightly to F16.900m from F16.800m in the similar period a year ago. Losses more than doubled in the first three quarters, however, to Fi261m, from F194m in the same 1976 period. Pig iron production was 1.89 million tons in the Chird quarter, up from 1.64 million Crude steel production was 2.57 million tons, compared with 2.25 million tons, Rolled steel also rose to 2.24 million tons (consolidated) from 2.12 and to convert into shares a recent Lire 35.7 billion convertible bond issue, subscribed to by banks.

The central holding of the contral holding of the central holding of the central

The central holding company of the Flick Group of West Ger-many, a diversified concern with activities in chemicals, paper and machinery, is being tranformed into a partnership with shares, the company announces. Ownership and management, however, will remain essentially unchanged. A spokesman said the new legal form creates the

Briefly

Chamberlain Phipps goes 48 pc anead

months to September 30.
Turnover of the group, which makes components and materings a share come out at 3.07p compared with 1.70p. It pays an interim dividend of 1.36p

this time last year when mouldings underwent reorganization.

Meanwhile Mr W. R. F. Chamberlain, chairman is still optimistic for the year overall.

In June the group announced that the group announced the group announced that the group announced the group announced that the group announced the group announced that the group announced the group announced the group announced that the group announced the group that pre-tax profits for the full year to March 31 had trebled

Tune 30

At the G. Dew civil engineer-

Ship sale proceeds

boost Stag's

STANDARD FIREWORKS
Standard Fireworks is making agreed bid for Barton Properties.
Terms are 19 Standard for every 50 Barton. Offer values Barton shares at 17.1p Barton as a whole £120,000.

LOAN FOR TUNISIA A consortium of international banws led by Bank of America International and Chase Manhattan is to provide a \$125m seven year Euroloan to the Republic of

TESCO STORES

Net square footage of selling
space has increased since 1972
though policy is to open large
stores in place of smaller ones.

Company has paid £325,000 for premises, plant and equipment of Peurad. Plant will be operated by new subsidiary Myston Radiators (Wales) and will produce radi-

Underwriting completed for an offer for sale of £5m 7 per cent redeemable preference stock 1982. Full details will be available

Chairman says that although the year will not be as successful as 1976, group remains strong financially and confidenct of the

GEO WHITEHOUSE Chairman says prospects are encouraging. Proposed that every five 10p shares by consolidated into one ordinary of 50p.

Extel reports 29 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to record £1.18m for half-year to September 30.
Turnover 22 per cent up at £10.8m.
Profits for second half expected
to be higher than the similar
half last year.

Group has acquired Houthandel De Vries, an old-established tim-ber merchants business based at Helmond in Holland.

jump on takeover

Margins warning

by Edward Jones

be up on last time, although margins are likely to be affected by present conditions. Lennon Bros shares

Shares in Rugby-based Lennon Bros soared yesterday on the news that it is being taken over in an agreed offer. The private company of Palmer and Harvey has agreed to make an noffer worth £15m for Lennon.

and Reed & Smith The recent flurry of bid share. Shares in Lennon jumped approaches continues with both by 53.83p to 54.60 on the news. Reed & Smith Holdings and G. But there is only a small market Dew signalling that talks are in the shares. Dealers say they on which could lead to an offer. were last dealt in May, 1976, Meanwhile Wintour Holdings' at a price of 60p. The offers will be satisfied by loan stock of Palmer, which will not be board says that it has not had a chance to consider in detail listed on the stock exchange.

the proposed offer announced on November 23 from A. A. Clark, but advises shareholders to take no action until they hear There will be a cash alternative. The board of Lennon and members of their families have agreed to accept for 44 per cent from the board.

Reed & Smith's shares were or the ordinary. Ldn & Midland Ind sees bumper year

suspended at 35p on news of the approach and the group's valuation is thus about f3m. This is the paper and packaging group in which the National A substantial improvement Enterprise Board took a near 30 per cent stake this time last over the £1.5m pre-tax record profit achieved by London & Midland Industrials for the whole of 1976-77 is predicted for this year by the board. The first six months has shown a year. It also takes in the Har-rison Cowley Advertising agency, and reported a near doubled pre-tax profit of £449,000 for the six mouths to 31 per cent rise to £851,000 on sales 27 per cent higher at 59m, so margins improved from

Approaches for G Dew

ing group, the board emphasises that discussions are at an early stage and that other approaches in the pst have proved abortive. 9.15 per cent to 9.4 per cent. The group's financial position has been strengthened by re-tentions of £277,000 for the half year, and also by the decision to release £552,000 to reserves from provisions for stock relief at March 31 which will not be

> Clarke Chapman buys group next door Clarke Chapman has agreed

In spite of reduced turnover, down from £3.25m to £2.85m, pre-tax profits of the North Shields-based Stag Line almost rebled in the year to October 31, rising from £218.000 to £636,000. to buy from Thomas W. Ward the business of Thomas Smith & Sons (Rodley) which makes & Sons (Rodley) which makes cranes and draglines. The group's works are next to the Clyde Booch Rodley Crane works of Clarke Chapman, which is one of the world's biggest crane makers. The purchase is in keeping with the Clarke Chapman policy of expanding its range and product base and will fall within the pattern of the enlarged Northern Engineering recently formed by the merger of Clarke Chapman and Reyrolle Parsons. However, profits include a £441,000 surplus on the sale of Stag's ship, Gloxinia and investment income of £124,000, compared with £169,000 last time. The year's profits are also time. The year's profits are also after charging pre-delivery interest on loan capital of £105,000, against nil last year, as well as depreciation. The total gross payment is going up from 15.93p to 17.27p. As good as these profits are, they still have a long way to go to reach the record £1.01m achieved in 1973-74.

UB paying £1.5m for **BOC** pizza group

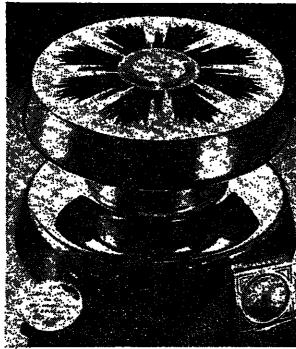
Britain's biggest pizza company, King Harry Foods, which Although reporting pre-tax profits for the first half of this year up from £30,500 to £50,500, the board of Edward Jones (Contractors) warn that difficult conditions still persist and that no substantial improvement can be expected for some time. turns out more than 18m pizcas a year, is being sold by BOC International, which started the company in the late 1960s for E1.5m. The buyer is United Biscuits, the McVrie's biscuits and KP nuts group which re-cently acquired the Wimpey Based on orders already in franchise from J. Lyons. nand, the year's turnover should

King Harry accounts for around 60 per cent of the United Kingdom frozen pizza market, where sales are made both under the "King Harry" brand name and also on a private label basis. Big customers include Marks and Spencer. Birds Eye and Findus.

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concerned would be a good one to do business with, to work for, or to invest in. Note: In the case of the categories Interim Results' or

Preliminary Figures, only criteria (a) to (d) will apply. Conditions of Entry All entries are free, but must have appeared in the pages

of The Times Business News during 1977. The following are the categories in which awards will 1. Annual Results.

a) Colour or Black and White Half page or larger,

or equivalent. b) Colour or Black and White. Less than half page or equivalent. 2. Interim Results or Preliminary Figures.

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*The best advertisement by an overseas company.

Entries will be accepted throughout the twelve month period January 1st - December 31st 1977, and should take the form of art pulls mounted on board, with a clear indication. of the category in which they are to be judged. Six unmounted art pulls should also be provided for the use of the Award Judges, They should be sent to:

The Times, New Printing House Square, Gray's Inn

Michael Mander, Deputy Chief Executive and Marketing Director,

Road, London WC1X 8EZ, Tel: 01-8371234.

Presentation of the awards will be made early in 1978. THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**

The improvement continues at Chamberlain Phipps with pre-tax profits rising from £835,000 to £1.2m for the six ials for footwear, clothing and automotive industries, rose by 16.2 per cent to £24.3m. Mar-gins in turn increased from 5 per cent to 6.1 per cent. Earn-

gross against 0.67p.
All divisions improved their profits, with the moulding and general industries showing a much better performance than

from £693,000 to a record £2.1m.

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ended a couple of points ahead at 270p. The possible loss of polish orders lowered Swan Hunter a penny to 188p but another shipbuilder Yarrow was

a strong market closing 5p up

showing interest.

Equity turnover on November 25 was £82.83m (16,111 bargains). According to Exchange

Telegraph active stocks yester-thay were Beecham, ICI, Racal,

GEC, BP partly paid, National Westminster Bank, Shell, BP,

BAT Dfd, EMI, Marks & Spen-

cer, Midland Bank, Unilever, Royal Insurance, Tecalemir, Siebens Oil and Kode Inter-

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

No impetus at start of account

It was back to reality at the Gilts edged ahead one quarter spart of the new account after or so in garly trading, but Friday's short-lived rally.
With little to counter the growing union antagonism to the 10 per cent guideline on pay and disappointment at lest

Dealers expect interim profits from Carless Capel to be up from £1.26m to £1.5m when the group reports on Friday, The group reports on triding, Inc. maphtha price is currently very firm, giving a boost to the ship-ping side while North Sea block 21/2 is said to be progressing well. The shares trade at CTP.

week's batch of company profits equities drifted through lack of

Support.
Dealers also said that with the institutions having to find u pto £900m over the next few days for the BP partly paid shares and the Treasury 10 per cent 1997 stock they expect little action for the time being.

TRANSVAAL CONSOLIDATED LAND AND EXPLORATION COMPANY LIMITED (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) DECLARATION OF DIVIDEND

Further to the interim report and dividend notice advertised in the press on 28th October, 1977, the conversion rate applicable to payments in U.K. corrency of the above-mentioned dividend is \$1 = 81.585610 urvalent to 40,9678749p por share. The effective rate of South African

Transfer Agents : P.O. Box 102. Park Street,

interest rates worries brought small selling and by the close most stocks were showing net falls of around one eight on the The FT Index closed 15 off

at 464.5 having been 3.9 down at 2 pm its low point of the

A chart "sell" recommendation lowered Beecham to a close of 610 xd, while elsewhere among the leaders Glave lost 3p to 580p, Pilkington 5p to 470p, Fisons 3p to 372p and BAT Industries 2p to 258p.

On terms from private in-terests Lennon Brothers were marked up from 77p to 460p; the shares having last been dealt in 18 months ago. Kode International, mentioned here last week as a relevant posilast week as a takeover possi-bility, received fresh speculative support to close 5p to the good at 92p while Centreway rose another 10p to 214p after last week's capitalisation plans.

Late news of bid talks hoisted G. Dew 27p to 122p while the terms from BICC lifted Cohen Brothers 4p to 51p. British Investment Trust was unnoved at 154p after news of the guaranteed cash price of 165p from Black Diamond Pensions.

On the papers pitch Reed Group held steady at 119p in

at the "Daily Mirror" while the shares of West Countrywhile the clearing banks the only one based paper manufacturer Reed & Smith, where the National Enterprise Board has a 30 per cent stake, were suspended at 35p "pending the outcome of discretions."

discussions."

In breweries and distilleries Matthew Brown were unmoved at 98p after figures but continued speculative demand helped Glenilwet to rise 15p to 465p, Highland Distillers 5p to 115p and Tomatin 3p to 86p.

Adverse comment lowered Beiam 4p to 60p but the shares rallied to 62p, a ner loss of 2p on the day. Nervousness ahead of this week's figures hit Racal to the tune of 11p to 203p while Hestair was also down on comment, by 8p to 107p.

comment, by 8p to 107p.
But those going the other way But those going the other way for the reverse reason were John Brown, 4p to 237p and Blackwood Hodge 3p to 79p.
Better profits lifted Stag Line 5p to 160p in the shipping sector where the speculative Hunting Gibson dropped 10p to 230p. Two to make a belated response to last week's figures were J. Dykes, down 5p to 22p after the loss and dividend omission, and Paule & Whites which gauned

Pauls & Whites which gained by to 95p.

The best of properties was MEPC, up 5p to 169p ahead of figures this week. Base rate in-

Latest results

Fenner tops £8m but growth rate now likely to slow

By Victor Felstead Record figures for the fifth year running are turned in by J. H. Fenner, the Huil-based group who makes power transmission, equipment, industrial conveyor beiting, fluid seals and package handling con-

Amalgamated Power Engineering shares have behaved like most others. They fell 8p last week and just 1p yesterday to 117p. Yet after making a one for three rights issue at 70p earlier this year it reported more than doubled interim profits last mouth, and maffer this On turnover just over 17 per On turnover just over 17 per cent greater at £73m in the year to September 3, pre-tax profits were ahead by 20 per cent to a peak £8.4m. This is only slightly below the previous year's growth rate. This growth rate is in the background of the problems facing industry—including the rise in sterling—and the rise in interest charges from £810,000 to £1.09m while associates' profits slipped from £187,000 to £143,000.

With earnings per share up fits last mouth; and profits this full year should go up from £3.39m to arpund £7m. From time to time hopefuls gossip about Babcack & Wilcox, Hawker Siddeley or Americans

with earnings per share up from 11.57p to 14.16p, the total gross dividend rises from 9.23p to 10.15p. Working on a pre-tax basis, the year's figures show that margins, in fact, expanded from 11.25 to 11.5 per cent. The the results are above most market expectations, the

shares closed at an unchanged 124p.: This is because of the outlook for the current year. The ordering by industry, both at home and overseas, of capital goods is likely to slow down. With fewer orders, Fenner would find it difficult to maintain its growth rate. The board is not making a forecast for the current year, having regard to renewed doubts about a sustained world-wide recovery of industrial

But it does report that the year has begun quietly, with a satisfactory workload and a stable order level. The board growth in turnover and profit industry and fierce competition ability and believes that the group is well equipped, in both available.



Mr J. Palmer, chairman of J. H.

nanufacturing facilities and staff, to achieve success The shares are probably at Ine shares are probably at their peak for the time being. Last week they slipped by 2p. At their present level of 124p, they are languishing a full 18p below their 1976-77 "high" of 142p. Considering the United Kingdom economic outlook and that for the engineering corter. that for the engineering sector in particular, the shares could

fall several pence further.
As far as the overseas side was concerned during the year, the board explains that the unsatisfactory conditions in the United States continued throughout the 12 months. Fenner's conveyor belting manufacturing offshoot in America lost almost £600,000. By reason of the capital structure, this loss is immediately available for tax set-off against profits in the United Kingdom. The United States company's performance was envisaged early in the year and was shared with other major conveyor belting manufacturers in the United States because of a sluggish demand

Boulton

Chairman Mr Denis Fahey reports

- Group turnover increased to over £18m.
- Exports again increased.
- Maximum permitted dividend proposed.

Summary of results

	1977	1976	1975	1974
	0002	0002	0003	£000
Turnover	18,050	17,162	16,127	13,446
Profit before tax	1,037	1,134	1,014	801
Profit after tax	1,007	551	444	386
Dividends	355	281	192	180
Netassets	5,614	4,872	3,868	3,560
Earnings per 10p share	3.8p	2.9p	2.4p	2.1p

Copies of the 1977 Annual Report and Accounts

can be obtained from the Secretary. The William Boulton Group Limited,

Providence House, Burslem, Stoke-on-Trent.

The William Boulton Group

Сопрапу	Sales	Profits	Earnings	Div .	Pay	Year's
Int or Fin	£m	£ma ∙	per sbare	Denc e	date	total .
Bairbridge (I)	0.45(0.45)	0.08(0.10)	2.18(3.0)	0.6(0.57)		{1.6}
Brady Ind (I)	8.5(7.8)	0.06(0.12)	0.7(3.4)	1.75(1.75)	19/1	(5.6)
	-17.2(15.6)	3.1(2.6)	9.04(8.94)	2.92(2.6)		3.92(3.51)
Chamberlain (I)	24.3(20.9)	1_2(0.83)	3.07(1.70)	0.9(0.44)	5/1.	—(1.9)
J. Cropper (T)	4.4(3.6)	8.03(0.01)	—(—)	—(—)		(0.75)
J. H. Penner (F)	73.0(62.2)	8.4(7.0)	14.16(11.57)	3.95(3.5)	_	6.7(6.0)
Hield Bros (I)	5.3(4.1)	0.28(8.14)	- ()	—(_)	-	(0.74)
Edward Jones (1)	—(<u>`</u>) `	0.05(0.03)	—(—)	()	_	(0.9 1)
Leisure C'van (I)	-(-) ·	—(—)	 ()	2.04(1.6)	9/1	4.32(3.9)
L. & M. Ind (1)		0.85(0.65)	5.9(4.6)	1.9(1.7)	20/1	4.7a(4.3)
Marshalls (H.) (I)	11.6(9.7)	1,0(0,99)	9.7(3.4)	1 <i>.7</i> 5(1.75)	19/1	(5.2)
Northchart I B (F)	—(—)	0.23(0,32)	9-21(11.68)	5(5)	_	5(5)
Prop inv & F (I)	1.0(1.5)	0.48(0.12)	-(-)	1.5(1.0) ·	6/1	(4)
Stag Line (F)	2.8(3.2)	0.63(0.21)	()	7.5(6.86)		11.4(19.35)
Dividends in this t				Elsewhere in		News dividen
are shown on a g	ross basis. To 🕿	stabilish gross	multiply the net	divideads by	1.515. Pro	vode ens atilio

THE IMPERIAL COLD STORAGE AND SUPPLY COMPANY LIMITED (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) INTERIM DIVIDEND NO. 77 ON

PREFERENCE SHARES Further to the notice of the interim dividend declared on the preterence shares of this Company advertised to the Press on 27th October, 1977. the conversion rate applicable to payments in U.K. currency in respect of that dividend is \$1 = A1.580435 oquivalent to 3 45817p per share. The effective rate of South Africa fon-Resident Shareholders Tax is

13 575% Charter Consolidated Services Limited, P.O. Bor 102., Charter House.

international factoring stake

National Westminster is strengthening its position in the international factoring business.
The bank announced yesterday
that Credit Lyonnais had taken
a 35 per cent stake in its French factoring subsidiary, Credit Factoring International

Credit Factoring International already has a slice of the French domestic and export factoring market,

Factoring, a financial service for industry that broadly speaking looks after the sales accounting and credit management function, is growing rapidly albeit from small beginmings especially overseas.

National

Bank

Nat West announces that

with effect from Tuesday,

its Base Rate is increased

29th November, 1977,

Westminster

NatWest steps up Reduced borrowings help Matthew Brown By Alison Mitchell

Blackburn-based brewery group Matthew Brown had some of the gloss knocked off fulltime figures by the indifferent summer. A half-time profits increase of 28 per cent was whittled down to around 19 per cent by year end.

In the 12 months to October In the 12 months to october 1 last the group made a pre-tax profit of £3.1m against a previous £2.6m or ruroover up from £15.7m to £17.3m. How-ever at the trading level, the profits increase is reduced to 13 per cent.
The additional boost has come

charges and a larger profit on the disposal of properties.

Last year's £1.4m rights issue, used partly to finance an expansion programme, cut borrowings substantially and interest in the trading has shown an increase the first though the chairman expects prices going up against the first properties. period fell from a previous £195,000 m £21,000. Mr C. Ains-

the cash flow is good and the group will have cash in the bank again in the current year.

An ongoing policy of pub rationalisation has seen the disposal of some overlapping sites and this contributed a further £77,000 compared with last year's £26,000.

In volume terms sales rose by

In volume terms sales rose by 2 per cent, compared to a national decline, and this was split between the lager and beer sides. Lager now accounts for around 16 per cent of output, though the new brand being marketed by the group. Slalom, has shown a sizeable increase.

from a decrease in finance from a price increase in April.

period fell from a previous over the same period last year £195,000 to £21,000. Mr C. Ainsand he admits to being "quietly cough, chairman, reports that cheerful" about prospects.

Now Trust & Agency being wooed

By Tony May

The latest group to catch the sye of portfolio husters is Trust & Agency of Australasia. It has received an approach which could lead to an offer from an unnamed party. The shares were suspended at 145p, valuing the group at £11.6m.

The group, in which Commercial Union has a stake of just over 32 per cent, is an investment trust but does not qualify as such under the

qualify as such under the relevant Act.
Earlier this year the board, headed by Mr C. Michael Hughes, tried to win shareholders approval for a scheme of arrangement which until of arrangement which would have turned the group into an approved investment trust with its attendant tax advantages. However, the meeting was adjourned so that the terms could be reconsidered.

It seems that "certain preference stockholders" opposed the deal,

Marshalls ahead thanks to concrete

By Ashley Druker
Dampened in 1976-77 by the
musually wer winter, Marshalls
(Halifax) still remained on a (Halifax) still remained on a growth tack as shown in the opening figures for the half to end-September. This Yorkshire concrete product manufacturer to specialized engineer turns in pre-tax profits up 8 per cent to £1.07m on turnover some 20 per cent higher at £11.6m. But a higher tax charge of £567,000 against £492,000 holds the net at a same-again £499,000. The interim is also unchanged at 1.5p gross.

1.5p gross.

The concrete side went particularly well with profits up 24 per cent in spite of reduced sales opportunities, says Mr David R. Marshall, chairman. He autributes this to the fruits of consistent policy of inverse. of a consistent policy of invest-ment in new plant and manu-facturing techniques.

But profits for engineering were disappointing, and results from South Africa "poor".

Business appointments

Board changes at British Printing Corporation

Mr Roy Hodgson has pointed the board of British Printing Cor-poration as personnel director. Mr Clive Bradley, chairman and chief executive of Sun Printers, chief executive of Sun Printers, will assume additional responsibility as chairman of the commercial printing group. He remains executive chairman of Sun Printers, but Mr Bob Phillis has been promoted to managing director. Mr Derek Mangan, chief executive of the commercial printing group, is leaving the corporation.

ion.

Mr Lyn McNeilly is to be chief executive of United Medical Company International, the company formed by the Nationa Enterprise.

In a reorganization of AB Electronic Components, which has been renamed AB Electronic Components, which has been made deputy chairman and chief executive of the purent group and executive chairman of the executive chairman of the executive chairman of the purent group and executive chairman of the purent group and executive chairman of the purent group and executive chairman of the succession to Sir Giles Guthrie. Mr J. O. Stanley, Mr G. M. Simon and Mr D. O. Taylor have been made directors.

Mr David Mann is to join Bardays Bank International as chief manager, international as chief manager, international bond department.

Mr Alec Dainty has become managing director of the newly-formed Furnchiffe Export Services.

Mr H. Van Hilst is chairman.

The board of Plessey Telecommunications has been reorganized as follows: Dr B. F. Willetts, chairman and chief executive; Mr M. E. Glynn, managing director, public telecommunications system; Mr J. E. Donnelly, managing director, private communications and data systems; Mr J. R. McDonald, director of overseas operations: Mr E. Clark, managements of the E. Clark, managements. operations; Mr E. Clark, manag-ing director, Plessey Controls; Mr R. G. Pauerson, managing director, rechnical division; Mr F. J. Durham, finance director; Mr C. J. Verdon, personnel director; Mr N. Manners, non-executive

Stothert & Pitt Limited

The following are extracts from the circulated Statement of the Chairman, Sir Ralph Bateman, K.B.E., on the accounts for the year ended 2nd July, 1977.

Trading for the 52 weeks to 2 July 1977 has resulted in further advances for the group. Our total turnover advanced from £18,589,000 last year to £23,813,000 in 1976/77 and our exports achieved the new record figure of £14,851,000, accounting for 62%. of total company turnover, compared with 47% last

Profits before taxation at £933,000, compare with £633,000 last year. We can be justly pleased with this result, which has been brought about by the effort and co-operation of employees at all levels, to all of whom the board is grateful.

After a tax charge of £492,000 (£370,000) and a credit of £96,000 (£10,000) for extraordinary items, there remains a profit after tax of £538,000 (£273,000). The greater part of the tax charge is deferred due to stock relief and capital allowances and tax actually payable (including advance corporation tax on the 1976/77 dividends) is £148.000. Your directors are recommending a final dividend

of 7.4052p per share (6.63p) making a total for the year of 9.5502p per share (8.58p) leaving £344,000 (£98,000) to transfer to reserves. This is the maximum dividend permissible under current dividend control.

Improvements in cash flow achieved during the year have resulted in a reduction of £4.3 million in our net bank borrowing at 2 July 1977, compared with the position at the end of the previous financial

Capital Expenditure Programme

The company is committed to a substantial investment programme designed to improve its manufactur-ing facilities, and this involves heavy expenditure both on new machine tools and relocation of activities. In 1976/77 we spent £670,000 on this programme. In the current financial year we expect to spend a further £1 million.

This capital expenditure programme is directed

towards reducing our operating costs and improving our overall company performance so that we are able to remain competitive, both at home and in the export markets from which so much of our business must

Cranes and Deck Machinery

In the export field the creditable production performance on the Saudi Arabian dockside crane contract reported last year was maintained, with the result that all shipments to Damman and Jeddah were completed to programme. Erection is proceeding as rapidly as site conditions permit.

Manufacture of the shiplift for Damman heart Manufacture of the shiplift for Dammam began during the year and progress is in line with our

Other activities included crane deliveries to Poland,

The development of our offshore cranes has progressed and four of the largest type were supplied for the Ninian oilfield. We are also continuously improving the scope and market penetration of our successful range of container handling spreaders.

New model development and strengthening of our distributor network are proceeding to maintain our premier position in the domestic market in readiness for the improvement in demand, which we consider inevitable, but the timing of which we cannot yet

We have pursued our policy of increasing exports, which now represent 60% of our production, and we intend to continue this export penetration over and above any resurgence at home.

The home market demand for roads and other construction remains at a low ebb, but during the year we have succeeded in exporting some 40% of our products for the concrete industry. Significant orders for materials handling equipment have been received for the first time from Middle East markets. To ensure continuing growth, our overseas distributor network has been widened, which will yield benefits in succeed-

We continue to expand the range of our business by seeking new export opportunities with new products against a background of reducing home demand. Agreements have just been reached with reliable companies in the USA and Japan for the marketing and manufacture of our design of screw pumps.

The company has continued its policy of communication and consultation with all employees and, where appropriate, steps are being taken to enable employees to participate in decisions which affect their working lives. It is the firm intention of Stothert & Pirt to maintain its tradition of meeting and solving problems by means of responsible discussions within proper and well-proven procedural channels.

Export business is more and more important to the future of the company, and such business is necessarily costly to secure, increasingly competitive, and expensive to finance. All our efforts are directed towards increased efficiency of output and securing every possible economy in costs, in order that profits may be earned at a level sufficient to ensure the future of the company and its employees and to provide an adequate return for shareholders.

The reputation of the company stands high and provided all in the company combine to tackle the problems ahead we can look for further improvement in results, not only this year but also in the succeeding years.

FENNER ANNOUNCES RECORD RESULTS.

Turnover up by 17% to £73m

Group pre-tax profit increased by 20%

Earnings per share up from 11.57p to

Capital expenditure £3.3m

• Final Dividend increased to 3.95p per

Extract from Chairman's Statement "We have planned for further growth in turnover and profitability and we are well equipped, both in manufacturing facilities and people, to achieve success."

The Fenner Group is principally concerned with the manufacture of power transmission equipment, industrial conveyor beiting, fluid seals and package handling conveyors.

Earnings per share				15,338	11.330
Shareholders' funds	25.892	24,184	17,564		
Relained profits	1,778	1.088	7.468	1.028	1.101
Dividends to ordinary shareholders	1,453	· 1,301	834	745	458
Earned for ordinary shareholders	‡3,071	2,389	2,302	1,773	1,557
Profit after taxation	3,457	2,806	2,572	1,951	1,732
Profit before taxation	8,407	7,006	5,752	4,501	3,242
External turnover	73,009	62,235	50,774	37,940	27,268
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The basic Deposit and Savings Account rates will be increased from 3% to 4% per annum.

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Coutts & Co. announce that their Base Rate for lending will be increased from 6% to 71% per annum for balances in their books on and after 29th November, 1977 and until further notice.

The Deposit Rate on monies subject to seven days'. notice of withdrawal will increase from 3% to 4% per annum.

MARKET REPORTS

Eurobond prices mid (day indicators)

Recent Issues

Platinum price up

Johnson Matthey announces that with immediate effect, Rustenburg Platinum Mines minimum price for platinum is being raised to \$175.00 (£96.00) per troy ounce from \$162.00.

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Turnover Net profit (stated after deducting Net profit (stated atter depreciation, audit fees, Directors' remuneration and interest charges)

Less taxation

Net profit (unaudited)

Soviet grain harvest shortfall is causing red faces in the US

A keen watch is being kept on Soviet purchases after the revelation that this year's har-vest in the Soviet Union is 10 per cent lower than was esti-mated by the United States De-partment of Agriculture. Mr Bob Bergoand, the United States Agriculture Secretary. States Agriculture Secretary, predicts that the Soviet Union will buy between 20 million and 25 million tonnes of grain

and 25 million tonnes of grain in the West between now and next September.

It is possible that the largest part of its needs have already been covered. The news that bad weather had cut the Soviet harvest to 194 million tonnes came from Mr Brezhnev, the Soviet Premier, in the midst of the Soviet premier, in the midst of the Soviet inhiles celebrations. the Soviet jubilee celebrations.
Many observers believe that he
would not have made such an
announcement if the bulk of its purchases had not already been

contracted.

The secrecy surrounding the grain trade makes this difficult to verify. So far, only sales of a little over four million tonnes have been published. After the Sovier "grain raid" on the United States market in 1972, when massive purchases were made secretly while the American taxpayer was financing export incentives, the Congress grain trade makes this difficult to verify. So far, only sales of a little over four million tonnes have been published. After the Soviet "grain raid" on the United States market in 1972, when massive purchases were made secretly while the American taxpayer was financing export incentives. the Congress has endeavoured to improve reporting procedures. A 1973 law stipulates that the USDA must be notified within 24 hours of the signing of any large sales contracts.

A 300,000 tonne sale of corn to the Soviet Union, which came to light last week, illustrates the way trading houses have managed to evade this pull prices out of their present slump.

Expected . Soviet wheat imports of eight million tonnes are put into perspective by the current world carryover of wheat stocks of almost 100m tonnes. The USDA predicts that these will be reduced to the still very high level of 85 million tonnes by the end of the 1977-78 season.

Bears abound in the feed grain market where the United States is expecting a record 202 million tonne crop. World stocks should rise nine million tonne to 80 million by the end of the season. The Umited States surplus will outweigh falls in production in Australia and

have managed to evade this production in Australia and regulation. The companies competing for the Soviet business have an obvious interest in bottom prices). keeping its size quiet until they have secured supplies from the producers. The mere rumour of a big Soviet sale can drive up prices of supplies and freight.

The reduction in plantings, ordained by the USDA, is not likely to have much effect until the end of the season. It is known that the other grain hopes.

Mexico limits export of cocoa beans

Mexico's National Cocoa Com-mission says that it has so far authorized the export of only 2,000 rounes of cocoa beans in the November 1977-March 1978 period, compared to 4,893 tonnes exported in the same 1976-77 period in order to ensure adequate domestic supplies.
The commission Conadeca, said it estimated that the 1977-

78 harvest would come to about 33,000 tonnes, similar to the level recorded in 1975-76, and well above the 24,000 tonnes harvested in 1976-77, when the crop was affected by adverse weather conditions in the Tab. weather conditions in the Tabaco and Chiapas regions.

Conadeca estimate that internal demand in the present cycle

would be about 20,000 tonnes. And if forecasts prove correct, more cocoa will be released for export, including 1,000 tonnes contracted with the Soviet Meanwhile trade sources con-

firmed that the Chamber of Chocolate Industries, grouping about 40 companies, had proabout 40 companies, had pro-tested against any cocoa exports at this time because of a severe domestic shortage.

The sources said that Richard-son Merrill of the United States was receiving only about 40-50 per cent of the cocoa it requires.

per cent of the cocoa it requires, and other major companies such as Nestlé and Quaker Oats, were in the same position.

The reason for the current shortage is not entirely clear, but the trade believes it is either because official harvest forces were inaccurate or also

figures were inaccurate, or else because there is a heavy volume of clandestine exports.—Reuter.

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INDUSTRIES LIMITED

Industrial Door Manufacturers
INTERIM REPORT FOR THE SIX MONTHS TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 1977

The disappointing results are, in the main, due to the slow recovery of activity in the building industry. Action is being taken to rationalise the Group's activities and the management team is being strengthened although it may be some time before a material improvement in profits can be achieved.

In spite of the reduced profits, it is proposed to maintain the same interim dividend, namely 1.75p per ordinary and ordinary "A" share, which will be paid on the 19th January, 1978 to shareholders on the company's register at 28th December, 1977.

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Commodities

The 300,000 tonnes of corn was at first sold to one of the trading company's European subsidiaries and the USDA was

Union could be buying more grain this season than the 22.5 million tonnes it purchased in 1972. This will not of necessity

pull prices out of their present

Prices have recently under gone some modest increases
but this could be explained as
much by the Canadian-Aus
tralian and Argentine crop cut
as by the Soviet requirements.
Prices on the Chicago market
rose about six cents a bushel or
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subsidiaries and the USDA was informed that its final destination was unknown.

Only when the transaction was completed was its destination switched from "unknown" to "Soviet Union".

There are however, other indications of intense Soviet activity on the grain market. Although the Soviet Union has strongly built up the size of its own buik carrier fleet, it has recently chartered over 30 bulk grain carriers.

If the latest USDA predictions prove correct, the Soviet Soviet Union in placed a 6 million tonne minimum and an 8 million tonne minimum and an 8 million tonne minimum on Soviet grain purchases, which could only be exceeded with the prior authorchases, which could only be exceeded with the prior authorization of the USDA. Soviet negotiators, however, have man aged to raise the ceiling for this year to 15 million tonness.

year to 15 million tonnes.

The long-term agreement also included provisions for sixmonthly inspections of the Soviet grain fields by USDA officials, with further exchange of information available upon request. It is this aspect of the agreement that is most likely to be reviewed as a result of the latest Soviet crop failure.

Wall Street

Stock Exchange today.

Analysis noted that while a apparent lack of pressure on short term interest rates was a plus, rise in the October trade deficit a fall in machine tool orders for that month and a conference board

Discount Market

Foreign exchange markets only livened up yesterday after announcement of the United States trade figures for October. Then the dollar declined against

all major European currencies as the market digested the announcement of a record deficit of \$3,100m last month, compared with estimates of about \$2,500m and a deficit of \$1,720m in September. Sterling pushed up to touch \$1.8205 before easing again to \$1.8190 and a rise of 5 points on balance. The effective exchange rate index ended 0.1 up

Most Continental currencies like sterling, had opened a shade easier to the dollar Gold closed up \$3.25 an ounce in London at \$161.625.

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Comfortable credit conditions rather surprised the discount houses yesterday, in view of the heavy call due on the partly-paid gilt, Exchequer 104 per cent 1997. In the event, there proved to be something of a surplus, and the Bank of England mopped up by selling a moderate amount of Treasury bills directly to the houses to take out the excess liquidity.

Rates were tentatively in the per cent to 61 per cent at the outset.

The afternoon rates continued to ease, though in progressively more patchy conditions. Late in more patchy conditions. Late in the day, they got down to 3 per cent. but were firming again right at the finish. Money Market Rates

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UK metal stocks Stocks in London Metal Exchange official warehouses at the end of last week (all in tonnes except silver) were: Copper up 625 to 638,725; tin up 130 to 3,060; lead up 575 to 63,025; zinc up 3,225 to 64,000; silver down 50,000 troyounces to 19,460,000. Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

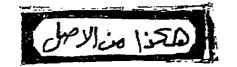
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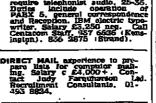
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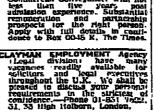
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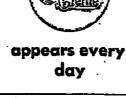
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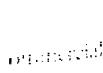












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to Sally (new Marjory) and Paul
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STEPHEN.—On November 23rd to
Susen and David—a 30n (Edward
Andrew Clive).
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25th to Merta and Peter—4 50n,
Charles Markham, a brother for
Guszapath.

SUSSEMBR. WESTINGHOUSE.—On 24th November. at Still Road Maternity Hospital, Cambridge, to Virginizatione Walmisley-Dresser; and Timothy—a daughter (Jasmin), sister to Deniel.

MSter to Daniel.

WESTMACOTT. — On November 27th, 1977. to Bridget, wife of Richard Evolyn Westmacott. Brockdam, Chashill, Northumborland—a daughter, Helinda Mary.

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ASH: WILLIS.—On November 10th in RAF Al Khajnah United Arab Emirates, Timothy of Ras al Khalnah to Ruth, of Sturminster Newton, Dorset.

CLARK: RICE.—On 34th November, 1977, Lord Clark (Kenneth Clark) to Mrs Edward Rice (Nolwen de Jarué) at St Etheldreda's, Ely Place, London.

DEATHS

BEAKBANE.—On 26th November, at Brookdale, Kidderminster, quietly in her 88th year, Camille, widow of Henry Beakbane and beloved mother of Christian. Marguerite. Mary and Renault. Funeral service at St Ambrosa Church, Kidderminster, 10 L.m. Thursday, 18 Decomption of Christian of Church, Kidderminster, 10 L.m. Thursday, 18 Decomption of Standardee. Decomption of Christian of Church Christian of Christian Christian of Christian Christian of Christian Christian of Christian Christian

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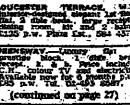
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